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Supermarket closing town centre store

THE Co-op has announced that its foodstore in Cowbridge High Street is to close in March of this year.

The business has operated in the town for more than five years, taking over in 2014 when the long-established Spar store closed.

A spokesperson for Co-op, said: "Although the Co-op is growing and opening new stores, we sometimes have to take difficult decisions.

"Such decisions are never taken lightly, and I can confirm that our store in High Street, Cowbridge, will close – the last day of trading is expected to be March 7.

"The closure is in no way a reflection on the hard work and commitment of colleagues, who have been informed and are being fully supported throughout this process with opportunities found in other Co-op stores in the area wherever possible.

"We would also like to thank the community for its support over the years."

A new tenant has not been confirmed yet, but The GEM understands that the discount chain 'Savers' is a possible replacement.

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New housing plans for old sixth form building

REVISED plans to knock down the old school sixth form building on Aberthin Road and build new homes are due to be released soon, but a local residents' group is unhappy, and says that there are still too many dwellings in the revised scheme.

The homes are planned by the housing association Hafod.

A spokesperson for Hafod said:"Hafod is a not-for-profit organisation committed to supporting communities by providing high-quality affordable homes based on identified local need.

"We can confirm that we have submitted a revised planning application to develop new homes for local people on the site of the former grammar school on Aberthin Road, Cowbridge.

"The new proposal has considerably reduced the number of dwellings to 34 from the previous figure of 48, as well as a sympathetic redesign of the building which retains the existing yew tree."

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Council funds 'spread too thinly'

REGARDING the recent letter in The GEM about the abolition of Barry Town Council, I wish to add to the discussion.

Wales has a population of just over three million people, most of whom probably live on the southern coast, with sparse population in the middle and the rest to the west and the north.

If we look at a map of Welsh councils, there are about 22 of them which is surely unsustainable as it means that each council looks after roughly 136,364 people.

It should never have been allowed for Wales to devolve its councils down to these current levels as it means that funds are more thinly spread than they need to be and services are duplicated to a ridiculous level.

How about merging councils to, for example, the Roman divisions of Wales (which was six or seven areas)? It would be a challenge all round, but would surely benefit Wales in the long run as finances could be concentrated in larger pots and therefore utilised more efficiently.

Charles Allen, Llantwit Major.

Celebrating the wisdom of our older people

IT is widely accepted that we have an epidemic of loneliness, not just among older people, but younger people too.

But our research shows a chink of light – almost half of 22-35 year-olds we polled spend time with someone aged 65 or over who they are not related to, such as a neighbour or friend, every week, and turn to them for advice.

It's heartening to know 'millennials' value the company of older people. With a lifetime of experience, older people have a wealth of knowledge that we can all benefit from.

The people in our care homes, retirement living and community support services across Britain have shared their life lessons as part of our Words of Wisdom campaign (mha.org.uk/WoW), encouraging people to value the wisdom gained with age.

We're calling on people to reach out to older people and ask for their life lessons. Even small acts like having a chat and a cup of tea with an older neighbour can have a huge impact on strengthening bonds and bringing people together.

Sam Monaghan, Chief Executive of Methodist Homes (MHA), Derby.

People of the Vale deserve a better MP

WE have been presented with two very different versions of events regarding the sordid saga of Alun Cairns and Ross England, a member of the Conservative Party, former employee and good friend of Mr Cairns.

Mr Cairns says that he did all he could to support another of his employees, a woman who was raped at Ross England's house while she slept. Mr Cairns says that he was unaware of Ross England's role in causing the trial of her attacker to collapse until much later, even though his own adviser emailed him about it.

In the meantime, and allegedly still innocent of the ugly scenario unfolding around him, Mr Cairns endorsed Ross England as fit to stand as a Conservative candidate. In this version of events, Mr Cairns is the injured bystander who had been doing his best, victim of biased and unfair speculation, leading to the loss of his cabinet post.

In version two, his female employee gives us a stark account of the harassment and abuse she was subjected to, meted out by Alun Cairns' Conservative Party colleagues and friends. She tells us that it is inconceivable that Alun Cairns knew nothing about Ross England's role in the rape trial at the time. She paints a damning picture of the ugly gang culture which is used so often by those with power – closing ranks and going to any lengths, including covertly recording her, to undermine her credibility. When she tells her employer Mr Cairns about it, his unbelievably crass response is that she is being 'a bit harsh' on the people trying to destroy her. He chooses to proclaim Ross England as a friend, endorses him as a suitable candidate for public office and expects the woman who was raped to work alongside him. He is photographed with Ross England at an event just before the election is called. He made it very clear where his loyalties lay.

A man is serving a five year prison sentence for rape, and the victim of his attack has categorically contradicted Mr Cairns' version of events. The Conservative party did not bother to contact her when they carried out their enquiry, and held over the outcome until after the election. Surely the people of the Vale of Glamorgan deserve better than this man – at best, an inept and insensitive employer who doesn't read his emails, at worst a man who chose to side with a rape apologist, and continues to behave as if he is the victim.

S K Miles, Barry.

'Base your dietary choices on the facts'

THE New Year brings with it the annual Veganuary campaign encouraging consumers to take up a vegan lifestyle.

Increasingly, we are seeing this topic given a disproportionate amount of coverage from national media when you consider that vegans only account for around one per cent of the UK population.

As a local farmer, I am grateful for the opportunity to address some of the misinformation that is reported about the UK farming industry during Veganuary.

Firstly, it's important to recognise that everyone has the right to choose what they eat. As farmers all we ask is that people can make those decisions based on facts rather than false information.

Scientific and medical communities are in agreement that meat, eggs and dairy products play an integral role in a healthy, balanced diet, providing key nutrients, vitamins and minerals that are essential to bone, heart and blood health that are difficult to obtain efficiently through other sources.

During Veganuary, the public are bombarded with messages asserting that a meat and dairy-free diet is better for the environment and that such a change will provide the answer to climate change.

This is simply not the case.

Welsh farmers produce some of the most climate-friendly meat in the world using the two ingredients we have an abundance of here in Wales – grass and rainfall.

In contrast, some highly processed meat alternatives are responsible for deforestation in other parts or the world. Dairy-free alternatives like almond 'milk', meanwhile, require thousands of litres of water and extensive irrigation systems.

Our advice to consumers is to read the label and buy local wherever possible. This ensures low food miles and gives you the assurance that what you are purchasing has been produced to the highest animal welfare and environmental standards.

Jonathan Huntley, NFU Cymru Glamorgan County Chairman.

Motorist in distress

I WAS driving in Barry recently when one of the warning lights came on my dashboard; panicking a bit, I drove to the nearest garage which happened to be Hinds Garage in Dock View Road.

Although I have never been there before, they were very kind and helpful and checked over my car for me and gave me advice on the problem. At no time were they patronising to me, a pensioner.

Nether did they charge me for their time so I have resolved to use them for my car's servicing and first MOT because I feel that I can trust them not to rip me off. It's refreshing to experience such honesty and good service.

Mrs Linda Williams, Barry.

Grateful thanks to Stroke Association supporters

WE would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the Stroke Association to thank all of our incredible supporters and volunteers for their support throughout 2019 in order to help stroke survivors to rebuild their lives here in Wales.

It has been a record breaking year for some of our fundraising events including our Resolution Runs at Cardiff and Anglesey, the Cardiff Half Marathon and the Ring O'Fire Ultra Marathon, so thanks to everyone who took part in, or supported these events. Many of our supporters helped us to 'Make May Purple' and even found their way into the kitchen to 'Give a Hand and Bake during October'.

2019 also saw the launch of our Rebuilding Lives campaign and our first ever TV advert which has been seen by over 13.6 million people and resulted in a 37% increase in calls to our national helpline, compared to the same period last year. Rebuilding lives after stroke is a team effort. It takes the determination of stroke survivors and carers and the generosity of people like you, so we are sincerely grateful for your support.

Your generosity has not only helped us to support stroke survivors and families living in the community, but it also helps to raise awareness of the 7,000 people who have a stroke each year in Wales and for the 65,000 people living with the effects of stroke in here in Wales. We would like to extend our sincerest thanks to the local businesses, organisations and sporting clubs who adopted us as their nominated 'charity partner' for 2019 as you have been instrumental in helping us raise awareness of stroke and stroke prevention in Wales, as well as raising vital funds to support stroke survivors and fund our vital research projects.

We could not do the work that we do without our amazing supporters, so if you would like to find out more about fundraising for us or working with us as your nominated charity partner for 2020, then we would love to hear from you.

Alan Drury, Stroke Association Wales Fundraising.

'Educating children for global climate challenge a priority'

OVER the last year or so, I believe that there has been a fundamental shift in people's awareness of the natural world and the challenges it faces from our wasteful modern industrial societies.

Whether this environmental awakening is due to organisations like the RSPB, WWF, Extinction Rebellion or perhaps celebrities like Chris Packham or even Sir David Attenborough does not really matter.

It is a fact that there is now growing concern and anger about climate change, plastic pollution, insecticide pollution, wildlife extinction and deforestation.

We now urgently need to educate future generations and ensure that they have the knowledge and skills to be able to tackle this environmental mess.

The creation of a Natural History GCSE is now needed more than ever. Giving our children the education and training to rise to these global challenges must become a priority of the Welsh Government.

Rob Curtis, Barry Action for Nature.

Road to Nowhere?

WE were promised a traffic alleviation scheme, a solution; in fact a bypass off the A48 to stop traffic squeezing its way through Llysworney to Llandow, Llantwit Major and beyond.

This was part of the deal, and consideration given for passing a very controversial planning decision at Darren Farm – now called Clare Gardens. The new access road to the development would also be the bypass.

This new road is now complete, but closed.

All traffic is still winding its way down Llantwit Major Road through Cowbridge, and through Llysworney. It is very frustrating to see huge lorries, buses, coaches and traffic continue along the same old routes this new road was supposed to alleviate.

Is this new bypass road going to remain shut off from all traffic till the Clare Garden development is finished, which could be some five years or more?

Mrs V Morris, Cowbridge.

HIGH TIDE TIMES

The high tides listed in this week's Gem are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tides times will vary. For instance, in Barry the high point will be 20-25 minutes later.

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Date	Time	Height (metres)
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25/01/2020	19.15	9.6
26/01/2020	07.32	9.7
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27/01/2020	08.07	9.6
27/01/2020	20.22	9.5
28/01/2020	08.38	9.5
28/01/2020	20.53	9.3
29/01/2020	09.13	9.2
29/01/2020	21.26	9.0
30/01/2020	09.44	8.9
30/01/2020	21.56	8.7

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Police hunt Llantwit meat thief

LEFT: The man police are trying to track down. Do you recognise him?

POLICE are appealing for information after a man stole "a high quantity of meat" from two stores in Llantwit Major last month.

A man entered the town's Co-op store at around 3pm on December 4 and put several items from the meat counter into a bag before leaving the shop without paying.

Just half-an-hour later, the same man entered the town's Nisa Store and stole meat items.

A police spokesman said: "In total, a high quantity of meat was stolen."

The man, believed to be in his 40s, was wearing a camouflage baseball cap and a black Berghaus jacket.

The force spokesman added: "If anyone has any information in relation to these thefts and this suspect, they are asked to ring us on 101 or email us at PublicServiceCentre@south-wales.pnn.police.uk quoting 1900446859."

Anyone with information can also contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 11.

Police warning after scammers try to strike

POLICE are urging residents to be vigilant after a string of attempted fraud incidents across the Vale of Glamorgan.

One of the incidents involved someone calling a residents claiming to be from Amazon Prime, who said an incorrect refund of £3,000 had been made.

Another incident, which involved a different resident, saw someone claiming to be from HMRC stating £2,000 in unpaid tax was due.

The fraudster warned the victim that if the cash wasn't paid, then the police would arrest them.

A police spokesman said: "Thankfully none of the victims lost any money to the scammers but we are reminding people to be vigilant and not to disclose personal financial information over the phone.

"Legitimate organisations such as your bank, HMRC or police will never call you asking you to transfer money. Neither will they ask you for your pin or full banking password."

Officers are urging residents to treat all unsolicited calls with caution.

The spokesman added: "Do not feel pressurised into making a quick decision - a genuine organisation won't mind giving you time to stop and think.

"We urge you to look out for your loved ones and make your elderly neighbours - who might not use social media - aware.

"If you have received any suspicious calls you can report it on 101 or Action Fraud 0300 123 2040."

Police have released a series of helpful top tips to try to protect people from scammers.

They include::

- If something seems too good to be true, it probably is
- Banks, police and HMRC will never ask for personal details, bank details, or for you to withdraw money from your account
- Never tell anyone your PIN, and never enter it into a telephone
- Do not feel pressurised into making a quick decision. A genuine organisation won't mind giving you time to stop and think
- If in doubt, call someone you know personally for advice
- Never click on links included in emails from unknown senders
- Report any suspicions to Action Fraud, or ring 101
- Keep a look out for loved ones. If they receive a lot of post, if their phone is often ringing, if they are secretive about their finances, report your suspicions

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Developers are back with plans for old sixth form building

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HOWEVER, a spokesperson for the Aberthin Road and Millfield Drive Residents Group said that 34 was still too many and continued: "During a meeting with Hafod CEO Jas Bains in November 2019, assurances were given that Hafod would not 'bulldoze their way through Cowbridge'.

"However, they confirmed last week that they intend to do just that and will pursue their plans to demolish the old school buildings on Aberthin Road, going against their own core values of 'respect' and 'working together' with communities.

"Their revised scheme is set to be submitted to the Planning Department shortly and will involve 34 units being built on a site designated for 20 in the Local Development Plan."

The Hafod spokesperson responded: "Where possible, we do our best to preserve existing buildings if it is economical and in the interests of meeting local housing needs. However, in this instance, the former school is in a very poor state of repair and it is not feasible to retain the structure for re-use.

"The planning application will follow the due planning process and the full details will be available on the Vale Council's website."

The residents group spokesperson said: "We are planning our campaign and will continue to fight for Cowbridge's character."

Llantwit Major pupils show off their culinary skills

FIVE pupils from year-10 at Llantwit Major School – Amelie Deere, Rosie King, Sophia Meakin, Liam Nichols and Dylan Howe – all recently produced a three-course meal costing no more than £20 for two people in two hours.

It was the Llantwit qualifying round in the annual competition organised by the local Rotary Club.

A school spokesperson said: "They all produced food of a superb standard and really excelled themselves. Rosie King was the overall winner and she now goes to Cowbridge Comprehensive School for the next round on Monday, January 27. Amelie Deere was in second place and she also goes through to the next round. Good luck!"

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Conservation Area Consent / Caniatâd Ardal Gadwraeth

Application No:/Rhif y cais:	2019/01411/CAC
Proposal:/Cynnig:	Proposed demolition of rear outbuilding, change of use to provide three apartments, two storey rear extension, roof dormer, car parking, landscaping and associated works
Location:/Lleoliad:	75, Eastgate, Cowbridge
Conservation Area:/Ardal Gadwraeth	Cowbridge

Development that may affect a Conservation Area / Datblygu a allai effeithio ar Ardal Gadwraeth

Application No:/Rhif y cais:	2019/01396/FUL
Proposal:/Cynnig:	Proposed renewal of application no. 2012/01095/FUL. Proposed demolition of existing garage and proposed three dwellings
Location:/Lleoliad:	Llysworney Garage, Church Street, Llysworney
Conservation Area:/Ardal Gadwraeth	Llysworney

Affecting setting of a Listed Building/ Cais (au) sy'n effeithio ar leoliad Adeilad Rhestredig

Application No:/Rhif y cais:	2019/01396/FUL
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Application No:/Rhif y cais:	2019/01384/RES
Proposal:/Cynnig:	Approval is sought for the appearance, landscaping, layout and scale (the Reserve Matters) as prescribed by Condition 4 of the Outline Planning Permission (2019/00229/EAO) for East Quay, which comprises of a residential development of 62 dwellings with associated works
Location:/Lleoliad:	Land known as East Quay, Barry Waterfront, Barry
Application No:/Rhif y cais:	2019/01393/RES
Proposal:/Cynnig:	Residential development for 59 units, together with single retail unit and all associated engineering works.
Location:/Lleoliad:	East Quay, Barry Waterfront, Barry

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What's on in your area?

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Stroke Club

HAVE you had a stroke or are a carer or relative looking after someone who has?

Age Connects Cardiff and Vale are running a drop in monthly Stroke Club at the Senior Health Shop on Thursday, February 6 from 10am to 12 noon. Come along; call 01446 732385 for further information.

Paedophile hunters caught man who offered 'girls' £100 for explicit photos

A CARE home worker committed a series of sex offences after he contacted two people who posed as a 14-year-old, Cardiff Crown Court has been told.

One of them called herself Lily, and the other Chloe, said prosecutor Andrew Davies.

He told one of them he would love to be in bed with her and sent indecent pictures of himself.

On one occasion, he offered one of the 'girls' £100 for explicit pictures.

Lee Teasdale, 36, of Pencoed, pleaded guilty to Cardiff Magistrates of attempting to cause a girl to engage in sexual activity and two charges of sexual contact with a child and was committed to the Crown Court for sentence.

Teasdale, who had no previous convictions, was sentenced to eight months imprisonment, suspended for 18 months, and made subject to a rehabilitation activity requirement. He was also ordered to carry out 200 hours unpaid work and made subject to a sexual harm prevention order for 10 years, and to register as a sex offender for 10 years.

Judge Richard Twomlow said there was no evidence whatsoever that he made any attempt to meet either of the 'girls'.

Mr Davies said the offences came to light as the result of the efforts of a paedophile hunting group.

One of them posed as a child and on April 11, Teasdale made contact to the person known as Lily and she said: "Oh my God, I am only 14."

He sent indecent images and made indecent sexual suggestions.

"He repeatedly asked for indecent pictures, despite her repeating she was only 14."

He wanted pictures of her in her underwear and offered her £100.

He was told it was "naughty" and he replied, "Naughty is nice. I'd love to be in bed with you because you are beautiful."

His address was discovered by the hunting group and he was confronted and the police arrested him.

Mr Davies said: "As a result of the online publicity, there was contact with 'Chloe' and he asked her for pictures in her underwear and sent her indecent pictures of himself.

After being arrested, he was interviewed by the police and said, "no comment" to all questions.

His solicitor, Tim Patrides, said: "He takes full responsibility for what he has done.

"He realises the appalling nature of what he has done but he believed he was talking to real children.

"He accepts he became engaged in chat room sites and the only issue is whether the sentence can be suspended.

"It was wholly inappropriate dialogue and he didn't intend to meet either person. He blames no one but himself."

Mr Patrides pointed out that he was in a supportive relationship.

The Judge said that he realised Teasdale was ashamed of his behaviour.

Chefs cook up a storm in competition

CREATIVE culinary skills and competitive spirit saw this year's Rotary Young Chef competition presenting its judges with the most challenging of tasks to select the best in class.

With 14 budding young chefs from year-10 at Cowbridge Comprehensive School, this year's event required a first round preliminary 'cook-off' to select the seven competitors to go on to the main competition.

For the finalists, tasked to prepare, cook and present a three-course meal for two people with ingredient costs not to exceed £20, the challenge was no mean feat.

Judges Dorne Harris and Wendy Pearce certainly had their work cut out when they set about their assessment, scoring the competitors on taste, presentation and menu planning, as well as time-keeping and maintaining a clean and tidy workspace.

After much deliberation, the overall winner was announced as Neve Riddick, with Pippa Hinkin-Evans declared runner-up. Neve's meal was a chicken satay starter followed by a main course of salmon and a chocolate mousse dessert.

In making their final decision, the judges commented: "The standard of the meals prepared was extremely high and reflects the enthusiasm within the Design and Technology Department under the watchful eye of their teacher, Mrs Christopher."

The president of Cowbridge Rotary Peter Davies presented the prizes and thanked Arthur John and Co for their sponsorship, which has allowed the popular annual youth cookery competition to flourish.

Winner Neve Riddick with Peter Davies.

Cowbridge competition winner Neve will now go on to take part in further rounds of the competition, which culminates in a national final and a chance to win a trip to Italy to meet some of the country's top chefs.

Young Chef is part of the wide programme of youth activities supported by the Cowbridge Rotary Club.

Peter Pan Panto drums up thousands to help community

Once again Peter Pan defeated Hook and saved Pontyclun! Another successful pantomime, called Peter Pan and the Revenge of Hook, for St Paul's Players, and thanks to a fantastic cast, crew and helpers, £2,645 was raised for the use of the parish churches by the local and wider communities.

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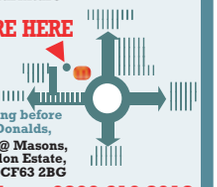

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'WAM' in Llantwit Library

'WAM' – Words, Arts and Music are coming to Llantwit Major Library On Thursday, January 23, 7pm to 9pm.

A small but talented group of artists are going to spend an evening in Llantwit Major library.

There will be words from Mike Church, art from Sion Llewellyn and music from Hazel and Grey. Entry is by free ticket only. Call into Llantwit Major Library to collect one. There will be a bar on the evening.

The Coming of the Light

LOVE Nature, love peace, love friendship – come and join Art4U to celebrate the first stirrings of spring (Imbolc) at Knap Lake and gardens at 5pm, February 2.

Meet at the park entrance near cafes: the event will include a gentle walk at the lake contemplating uplifting artworks and quotations situated along the way; an opportunity to share thoughts, poems and messages.

Free event; for further details, connect with www.glynpooley.com.

Community Association meet in Ynysawdre

ALL are welcome to attend the Quarterly General meeting of the Tondu and Aberkenfig Community Association, which is to take place on Wednesday, February 5 at the Parish Rooms, Bryn Road, Ynysawdre at 7pm.

Many local issues will be raised, including the latest news regarding Llanmoor's development of the land to the west of the Maesteg Road. For further information email: contact@tondu-aberkenfigca.co.uk.

Tories urged to expel new MP who 'preyed' on the vulnerable

PRESSURE is mounting on Prime Minister Boris Johnson to throw newly elected Bridgend MP Jamie Wallis out of the Conservative Party.

MP Jess Phillips has called on Mr Johnson to expel Mr Wallis from the group, and Gower MP Tonia Antoniazzi has slammed him for his links with a 'Sugar Daddy' website.

Ms Phillips, who stood down this week in the race to replace Jeremy Corbyn as Labour leader, launched a petition to have the whip withdrawn from Mr Wallis, who unseated long-serving MP Madeleine Moon in December's election.

And Ms Antoniazzi branded the Sugar Daddy website "exploitative and demeaning" and insisted Mr Wallis should apologise for his "appalling behaviour."

Mr Wallis was the director of several firms which have been the subject of hundreds of complaints to trading standards.

One of his businesses, Quickie Divorce Ltd, advertised on its website another now defunct business called Sugar-Daddy.net, according to reports in the national press.

The Sugar Daddy website allegedly offered to set up vulnerable people needing money with wealthy older people.

It's understood Mr Wallis has denied having links to the Sugar Daddy website, but Ms Antoniazzi claims there were Companies House records which "clearly contradict that statement."

The Gower politician said in the House of Commons this week: "It has come to light that a newly elected member of this House has misled the press about his involvement in an exploitative and demeaning website called Sugar-Daddy.net.

"The honourable member from Bridgend's involvement was highlighted following press reports about complaints to Bridgend Trading Standards,

"Links to the website were denied on the record by the member, but Companies House records clearly contradict that statement."

She added: "Information, also, that I have received from a former employee of the member for Bridgend contradicts that statement.

"At a time when public trust in politicians is already damaged, can the Speaker provide guidance on whether the House and, more importantly, the people of Bridgend can expect an apology from the member to go some way to making up for this appalling behaviour."

Ms Phillips' online petition, which has already gained 1,836 signatures, said: "Stop this exploitation of women. Tell Boris to remove the whip.

"Newly elected Conservative MP Jamie Wallis promoted a website which made it easy for a network of rich men to exploit students, single parents and vulnerable people for financial gain.

"Let's be clear, 'sugar daddy' is a euphemism for something deeply ugly: exploitation of women by powerful men."

Her petition added: "The Tories should feel ashamed sitting alongside Jamie Wallis. The only way to show they don't condone this kind of behaviour is to remove the whip."

John Trickett, Labour's shadow cabinet office minister, has also voiced his opinion on the saga, accusing Mr Wallis of "preying on vulnerable students."

He said: "This website and Jamie Wallis' other businesses range from the unsavoury to the downright appalling, with exploitation at the heart of every one.

"The people of Bridgend deserve better than a Tory MP who appears to have been preying on vulnerable students.

"The Conservative Party must take immediate action or accept they have no ethical code left."

Mr Wallis is understood to be considering taking legal action against Bridgend County Borough Council after the authority responded to the Freedom of Information request which asked for details about complaints against the MP's companies.

A council spokesman confirmed to The Glamorgan GEM last week that it had received a "letter-before-action" but wouldn't comment further because of "the possibility of ongoing proceedings."

Mr Wallis refused to comment.

By Sam Hall

ABOVE: Jamie Wallis with his boss Boris Johnson.

CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG
A4226 A WAYCOCK ROAD (FIVE MILE LANE GYNT), Y BARRI – CYNNIG I DDIRYMU'R GORCHYMYN CYFYNGIADAU CYFLYMDER 40 MYA PRESENNOL A GORCHYMYN NEWYDD 30MYA, CYFYNGIAD CYFLYMDER 40MYA A DADGYFYNGU 2020

1. Hysbysir drwy hyn fod Cyngor Bro Morgannwg wrth arfer ei bwerau dan Adrannau 1, 2 a 84 Deddf Rheoleiddio Traffig Ffyrdd 1984 (fel y'i diwygiwyd) a'r holl bwerau galluogi eraill, yn bwriadu gwneud Gorchymyn a fydd yn gorfodi'r hyn a ddisgrifir yn yr Atodlenni isod:
2. Gellir archwilio manylion llawn y cynigion, gan gynnwys y Gorchymyn arfaethedig a'r Cynllun Rhif: T/19/80A&B/MS, yn y cyfeiriad a nodir isod yn ystod oriau swyddfa arferol.
3. Rhaid cyflwyno unrhyw wrthwynebiad sydd gennych i'r cynnig i'r Cyfarwyddwr Amgylchedd a Thai (Cyf: IF898) yn ysgrifenedig erbyn 14 Chwefror 2020 a rhaid nodi sail eich gwrthwynebiad
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ATODLEN 1

Ni fydd unrhyw berson achosi neu'n caniatáu i gerbyd deithio'n gyflymach na'r hyn a nodwyd
yn y lleoliadau a bennir yn yr Atodlen isod.

ATODLEN 2

Bwriad i ddirymu'r Gorchymyn Rheoleiddio Traffig canlynol
Cyngor Bro Morgannwg (Llwybr yr A4226 (Five Mile Lane y Barri) (Gorchymyn Cyfyngiad Cyflymder 40mya) 2020 – Cyfeirnod 640
Cyfyngiad Cyflymder 30mya Arfaethedig
Waycock Road, (Five Mile Lane gynt)
O'r pen troi, tua 70 metr i'r de-ddwyrain o ganol ei chyffordd â Fferm Cwm Derwyn, i gyfeiriad y gogledd yn gyffredinol am bellter o tua 3,650metr.
Cyfyngiad Cyflymder 40mya Arfaethedig
Llwybr A4226
O'r gyffordd gylchfan â Llwybr A4226, Waycock Cross (Port Road West), i gyfeiriad y
gogledd-orllewin am bellter o tua 1,360 metr.
Dadgyfyngu Arfaethedig (Terfyn Cyflymder Cenedlaethol)
Llwybr A4226
O bwynt 1,360metr i'r gogledd-orllewin o'i chyffordd gylchfan â llwybr A4226, Waycock Cross (Port Road West), i gyfeiriad y gogledd-orllewin yn gyffredinol am bellter o tua 3,465 metr ac yn cyffinio â'r dadgyfyngu presennol (Terfyn Cyflymder Cenedlaethol)
Lôn heb ei henwi i Northcliff
O'r gyffordd â Llwybr A4226 i gyfeiriad y dwyrain am tua
250 metr ac yn cyffinio â'r dadgyfyngu presennol (Terfyn Cyflymder Cenedlaethol).
Lôn heb ei henwi i Ddyffryn
O'r gyffordd â Llwybr A4226 i gyfeiriad y dwyrain am tua
205 metr ac yn cyffinio â'r dadgyfyngu presennol (Terfyn Cyflymder Cenedlaethol).

Dyddiad: 23 Ionawr 2020
Cyfarwyddwr yr Amgylchedd a Thai
Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, Yr Alpau, Gwenfô CF5 6AA

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
A4226 AND WAYCOCK ROAD (FORMERLY FIVE MILE LANE), BARRY – PROPOSED REVOCATION OF EXISTING 40MPH SPEED RESTRICTION ORDER ANDNEW 30MPH, 40MPH SPEED RESTRICTION AND DERESTRICTION ORDER 2020

1. Notice is given that the Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Sections 1, 2 & 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) and of all other enabling powers proposes to make an Order the general effect of which is as described in the Schedules below.
2. Full details of the proposals, to include a copy of the proposed Order, and Plan No: T/19/80A&B/MS may be inspected at the address shown below during normal officehours.
3. Any objection you may have to this proposal must be submitted to the Director of Environment & Housing (Ref: IF898) in writing by 14th February 2020 and must contain the grounds upon which you object.
4. Persons objecting to the proposed Order are advised that in view of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 this Council is legally obliged to make any comments received in response to the proposed order open to public inspection.

SCHEDULE 1

No person shall cause or permit a vehicle to proceed at a speed greater than that referred to in the locations specified in the Schedule below.

SCHEDULE 2

Proposed revocation of the following Traffic Regulation Order
The Vale of Glamorgan Council (Route A4226 Five Mile Lane, Barry) (40 mph Speed
Restriction) Order 2002 – Reference 640
Proposed 30mph Speed Restriction
Waycock Road (Formerly Five Mile Lane)
From the turning head, approximately 70metres southeast of the centre of its junction with
Cwm Derwyn Farm, in a generally northerly direction for a distance of approximately
3,650metres.
Proposed 40mph Speed Restriction
Route A4226
From its roundabout junction with Route A4226, Waycock Cross (Port Road West), in a north-westerly direction for a distance of approximately 1,360 metres.
Proposed Derestriction (National Speed Limit)
Route A4226
From a point 1,360metres northwest of its roundabout junction with Route A4226, Waycock Cross (Port Road West), in a generally north-westerly direction for a distance of approximately 3,465 metres and contiguous with the existing derestriction (national speed limit).
Un-named Lane to Northcliff
From its junction with Route A4226 in an easterly direction for a distance of approximately 250 metres and contiguous with the existing derestriction (national speed limit).
Un-named Lane to Dyffryn
From its junction with Route A4226, in an easterly direction for a distance of approximately 205 metres and contiguous with the existing derestriction (national speed limit).

Dated this 23rd day of January 2020
Director of Environment & Housing
Vale of Glamorgan Council, The Alps, Wenvoe, CF5 6AA.

High Society opening

FORMER High Society of Cowbridge's new owners, mother and daughter Sue Guy and Natalie Pemberton, have relocated and renovated a large shop in Llantwit Major.

Boasting two floors, downstairs is the new home of two hat ladies, stocking a huge range of headwear for hire, and stocks mother of the bride and occasion wear.

Upstairs, brides will have a completely private experience in the new bridal boutique with plenty of room to browse, bring along their bridal party and have the boutique to themselves.

To celebrate, they are having a grand opening with refreshments, browsing of the boutique and range of designer gowns (with a brand new bridal label launch) with bridal dresses modelled on request, as well as live music from Tom Sutch at 1pm, with Rachel Lambert Photography recording the event.

They would love to see you between 12.30pm and 6pm, on Saturday, January 25 at High Society, Unit 23, Llantwit Major Shopping Centre, Llantwit Major.

Photographic delights of Georgia and Armenia for Probus Club

THE January meeting of Llantwit Major Probus Club was held in Illtud's 216 on January 14.

President Philip Morris opened the meeting at 11am and gave some historical facts linked with this date and after apologies and minutes of the December meeting, he reminded members that next month will be the AGM, calling on members who wished to join the committee or take on the role of speaker for forthcoming meetings.

Speaker Cled Lewis was introduced who, along with his wife Pam, took members on an hour's journey through Georgia and Armenia, both former Soviet republics, where they had recently had a holiday.

Cled and Pam thoroughly enjoyed their experience and were particularly impressed with Tbilisi, describing it as a top must-visit city.

Members were shown photographs of the rugged and beautiful countryside on their travel by coach throughout both countries.

The vote of thanks was given by Keith Brown and the raffle winner was Keith Niblett.

Ystradowen WI try their hand at needle felting

THE speaker at the January meeting was Eva Leslie, who gave an informative talk and presentation on the art of needle felting.

Originally from Germany, she stumbled upon this unusual craft while browsing in a bookshop and happened upon a magazine on the subject. She quite literally became 'hooked' and now runs several classes.

It was amazing how many figures she had produced using just treated wool, a hooked needle and good imagination.

Several members tried their hand using very simple actions and it was something that they had not experienced before.

The resolutions to be voted on at the NFWI annual meeting were discussed, as well as forthcoming events including a visit to Bletchley Park, Buckinghamshire and the proposed 2023 celebrations to mark the NFWI centenary.

Members were reminded that the walks and coffee mornings continue on the third Wednesday of the month.

If you are interested in joining this friendly WI, come along to the village hall on the first Wednesday in the month at 7.30pm; visitors are always welcome.

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Winners revealed in photo club's competition

VALE Photographic Club is starting the new decade with a great programme of regular Friday club nights and visitors are welcome as well as members.

The first speaker of 2020 was the highly entertaining and informative press photographer and photographic teacher, Glyn Evans from Ffotoimage. He provided delightful insights into the work of a jobbing press photographer, showed some great images and led a practical session about candid photography.

This was followed by one of the regular 'image clinic' evenings where members bring in prints or digital images they are working on to get comments and thoughts about how to edit and improve the picture.

The next week was the annual 'Three in Harmony' evening where members bring in sets of three images that work together as a small panel. The standard of images was excellent and the competition was close.

The winner was Terry Verrinder, with Wendy Walker second.

Coming up the club will be given a talk about otters by Welsh otter expert, Jeff Chard. For information on the club visit our website at www.vale-photographic-club.co.uk, or simply turn up to a club evening on a Friday at 7.15pm in Ystradowen Village Hall.

Vale MP congratulated for cabinet work by new Secretary of State for Wales

MP Alun Cairns has been congratulated on the work he did as Secretary of State for Wales.

The Vale of Glamorgan MP stepped down as Welsh Secretary in November after three-and-a-half years in the post. Making his first contribution from the back benches since his resignation, he congratulated Simon Hart on succeeding him as Welsh Secretary.

Mr Hart in turn paid tribute to Mr Cairns' service in the post. He said: "There is a saying in politics – 'There is no such thing as real friends, only sharks circling waiting for a sniff of blood', but no such situation would describe our relationship.

"He has done a fantastic job for Wales. He has boundless energy, and I know that Wales will benefit from that again."

Events in your area

Rhoose Bingo

THE committee of Rhoose Community Hall, Stewart Road, will hold a bingo afternoon at the hall on Saturday, January 25. Doors open at 1.30pm for a prompt start at 2.30pm.

Valeways walks

ON Sunday, January 26 at 2pm, 'Around Llantwit beach', starting at Llantwit Major beach car park.

On Wednesday, January 29 at 10.30am, the Cosmeston Coffee Shop Strollers meet at Cosmeston Country Park outside the cafe.

Also on January 29 at 2.30pm, the Llantwit Major Coffee Shop Strollers meet outside Llantwit Major Town Hall.

On Thursday, January 30 at 10am, 'Have we been here before?' starting at the Farmer's Arms, St Brides Major CF32 0SE.

Llanmaes cinema

ON Thursday, February 6 at 7.30pm, Llanmaes Village Hall Cinema will screen *Green Book*, a gritty story set in the Deep South during the harsh racism of the 'Jim Crow' era.

Entry ticket only, from Jackie on 07976 698325; adults £7.50, children (12-16) £5, refreshments, available, wheelchair access.

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The Hat Ladies
The Precinct, Llantwit Major, CF61 1XA

Latest news from Boys' Brigade

IT has been a very busy time for the members of 2nd Llantwit Major Boys' Brigade.

The youngest members, the Anchors, celebrated the start of a new decade by thinking about their dreams and hopes for the future.

The Juniors found out about Twelfth Night (including some very enthusiastic singing!) and Epiphany (the visit of the Magi).

Three members of the company section will be competing against Bloxham in the third round of the national chess competition.

A spokesman said: "We wish Morgan, Tom and Ciaran well."

If anyone would like any further information about Boys' Brigade in Llantwit Major, please call Debbie on 01446 796208.

Networking event for community groups

GLAMORGAN Voluntary Services is hosting two local networking events in 2020 for community groups and organisations.

The aim is for the community to find out more about local services and create links with one another.

The Cowbridge event will take place at Cowbridge Town Hall, 10am – 2pm on Tuesday, February 11.

The Llantwit Major event will take place at CF61 (formerly the Llantwit Major Youth Centre), 10am – 2pm on Thursday, February 27.

If you represent or are a part of a local community group or organisation and would like to book a place, please contact Lani Tucker, e-mail: mapping@gvs.wales or telephone: 01446 741706 for a booking form.

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Future looks bright for Vale, says council leader

LEADER of the Vale of Glamorgan Council, Neil Moore, talks about budget setting, schools, recycling and regeneration schemes in his column for The GEM

AS this is my first column of 2020, I don't think it's too late to say happy new year and decade!

2020 will be a busy year for us and in the coming weeks, the Council will be making important decisions about how we set our budget for the next financial year. It was good news that the Welsh Government gave us increased funding this year, which we were not expecting.

Such encouraging news offers the chance for greater investment than would otherwise have been possible and places less pressure on vital services. It also means some of the services will be protected for at least another year.

As most of our finance comes directly from Welsh Government, an increase in this area will have a positive impact and reduce the amount of Council Tax we need to raise this year.

As you may know, we recently consulted on how you wanted us to manage our financial situation in the future, particularly for this financial year. We asked whether it would be preferable to increase Council Tax by 4.9%, the same as last year, which would still be below the Welsh Council Tax average. Some services would have to be cut if we did so, as there would still be a significant gap between the cost of services we provide and the money available to fund them.

Another option we posed was to raise Council Tax to the Welsh average, enabling us to protect most services, while a third involved a higher than Welsh average increase, meaning all services could be protected. This would have required a 10.4% increase in Council Tax.

You told us that the most popular suggestion was to increase Council Tax by the same amount as last year and your responses and views will have a major influence on the direction we take.

The precise amount we will receive from Welsh Government is yet to be confirmed, but once that happens, we can finalise the proposals for our spending plans and I will present them to Cabinet and the Council.

What I can say with some confidence is that there should be significantly more money available for schools, which will mean better facilities and improved learning environments for our children.

Many other areas will also benefit to some extent and less savings will be required. However, it is important to stress that even though this promising news about our Welsh Government funding is welcome, it does not represent a magic wand and solve our financial crisis.

It is true that the increase in funding for this year will go some way towards addressing the chronic underfunding brought about by nearly a decade of austerity that has hamstrung this and other councils across Wales. However, this does not stop the need for us to make further changes in the way we work and provide more efficient services for our residents.

Therefore, we will continue to be creative in tackling this challenge, aiming to reshape the way services are delivered and avoid cuts wherever possible and continue to consult on the decisions we will have to take.

We have a history of proving that it is still possible to do fantastic work under the most testing circumstances and this will continue regardless.

Our 21st Century Schools programme has involved widespread investment in education across the county, providing pupils with ultra-modern learning facilities to help them achieve the best results in Wales. We are continuing that investment with plans to do more.

We are also committed to providing a large-scale council house building programme, which will see more than 500 homes built in the Vale over the next five years.

We have already started making changes to our recycling services and will continue to do so in the Barry and Penarth areas during the coming year as part of a concerted effort to reduce our impact on the environment.

These changes are taking place alongside major regeneration work. Barry Waterfront has been transformed in recent times and a series of projects have been and are taking place to give a new lease of life to some of the historic buildings from the town's industrial past.

This work continues, with a number of similar schemes in the pipeline and I particularly look forward to seeing the benefit the Goods Shed redevelopment will bring to the area.

Finally, it would be wrong of me not to confirm that there will still be some difficult times ahead and tough decisions will need to be taken, but we begin the year more positively than could have been the case.

That is reason enough to be upbeat about the future and I will promise that even though we will still need to increase our funding levels, we will continue to work hard to deliver the services you value and require.

I will update you in my next column on what we intend to do next.

Neil Moore,
Leader of the Vale of Glamorgan Council

CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG
B4268, NASH CORNER (B4270) i BENTRE MEURIG (A48)
GORCHYMYN CYFYNGIAD PWYSAU 7.5t 2020

Ar 20 Ionawr 2020, gwnaeth Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, wrth arfer ei bwerau dan Adrannau 1, 2 a 20 Deddf Rheoleiddio Traffig Ffyrdd 1984 a'r holl bwerau galluogi eraill, Orchymyn a fydd yn gorfodi'r hyn a ddisgrifir yn yr Atodlen isod.

Daw'r Gorchymyn i rym ar 27 Ionawr 2020 neu ar y dyddiad y bydd yr arwyddion a'r marciau ffordd yn eu lle, p'un bynnag yw'r hwyraf a chyfeirir ato fel Gorchymyn Cyfyngu Pwysau 7.5t Cyngor Bro Morgannwg B4268, Nash Corner (B4270) i Bentre Meurig (A48) 2020.

Gellir gweld copi o'r Gorchymyn a chynllun yn dangos yr ardaloedd yr effeithir arnynt yn y cyfeiriad isod yn ystod oriau swyddfa arferol.

Os dymunwch gwestiynu dilysrwydd y Gorchymyn neu unrhyw ddarpariaethau ynddo ar y sail nad yw'n unol â'r pwerau a ddyfarnwyd gan y Ddeddf uchod neu ar y sail na chydymffurfiwyd ag unrhyw un o ofynion y Ddeddf, neu unrhyw offeryn a wnaed dan y Ddeddf mewn perthynas â'r Gorchymyn, gallwch, o fewn chwe wythnos wedi 27 Ionawr 2020 wneud cais i'r Uchel Lys at y diben hwn.

ATODLEN 1

Ni chaiff unrhyw berson beri i gerbyd â'i bwysau uchaf gros sy'n fwy na 7.5 Tunnell rhag mynd dros y rhannau o ffordd a nodir yn Atodlen 2

ATODLEN 2

Gorchymyn Cyfyngiad Pwysau 7.5 Tunnell Fetrig

Llwybr B4268

O'i gyffordd â Nash Corner (B4270) i'r gyffordd a Phentre Meurig (A48), i gyfeiriad cyffredinol y gogledd a'r de am bellter o oddeutu 2,794 metr.

Ysticl-Garu

O'i gyffordd â'r B4268 i gyfeiriad y de-ddwyrain am bellter o oddeutu 54 metr.

Lôn Ddi-enw o Lyswyrny i Dregolwyn

O'r gyffordd â Pond Street yn gyffredinol tua'r gogledd am oddeutu 221 metr.

Cross Inn (B4270) i Woodlands

O'r gyffordd â Phentre Parc tua'r gogledd-ddwyrain am oddeutu 35 metr.

Ffyrdd Preswyl Bach ym mhentref Llyswyrny

Pond Street, Tyle Mali, Heol-y-Cawl, Church Street, Lôn Ddi-enw o The Sycamores, Ffordd Fynediad i Redwood Lodge, Squire Street, Lôn Ddi-enw yn Moor Farm, Lôn Ddi-enw o B4268 i Pentre Parc, Lôn Ddi-enw i'r gogledd o Bentre Parc i'r B4268, pob un ar eu hyd.

Dyddiad: 23 Ionawr 2020.

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THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
B4268, NASH CORNER (B4270) TO PENTRE MEYRICK (A48)
7.5t WEIGHT RESTRICTION ORDER 2020

On the 20th January 2020 the Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Sections 1, 2 and 20 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers made an Order the general effect of which is as described in the Schedule below.

The Order will come into operation on the 27th January 2020 or on the date that the
signs and road markings are in place, whichever is the later and shall be referred to as
The Vale of Glamorgan Council (B4268, Nash Corner (B4270) To Pentre Meyrick (A48)
7.5t Weight Restriction Order 2020.

A copy of the Order and a plan showing the affected areas may be seen at the address shown below during normal office hours.

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or any provisions contained therein on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the above Act or on the grounds that any requirement of the same or that any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may within six weeks from the 27th January 2020 apply to the High Court for this purpose.

SCHEDULE 1

No person shall cause a vehicle with a maximum gross weight exceeding 7.5 Tonnes from proceeding over the lengths of road in Schedule 2

SCHEDULE 2

7.5 Tonne Weight Restriction Order

Route B4268

From its junction with Nash Corner (B4270) to its junction with Pentre Meyrick (A48), in a general northerly and southerly direction for a distance of approximately 2,794 metres.

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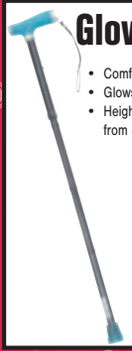

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RSPCA welcomes dog breeding rules review

RSPCA Cymru has welcomed confirmation from the Welsh Government that the country's dog breeding regulations are to be revisited.

This follows a report published by the Animal Health and Welfare Framework Group on the issue of dog breeding – including input from the RSPCA. At present, anyone with three or more breeding bitches meeting certain conditions must be licensed – but welfare issues and poor breeding practices persist in Wales, as exposed by a recent BBC documentary.

The Welsh Government has also confirmed that additional funding is likely to be required by local authorities for enforcement of laws related to animal welfare.

Announcements came during a session of the Welsh Parliament's Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee on January 16.

RSPCA Cymru says this acknowledgement is a 'hugely positive development'.

Claire Lawson of the RSPCA said: "Wales' new dog breeding laws, passed in 2014, marked a big step forward for animal welfare – but further improvements are necessary. It's really welcome that the Welsh Government are looking again at these laws, and that the Minister described this as urgent.

"We'll continue to campaign for tackling genetic issues at breeding establishments, a staff-to-dog ratio that better considers welfare, and possible action to tackle bad cat breeding practices too. However, what is really important is that local authorities feel equipped and resourced to enforce animal welfare laws – including on dog breeding, microchipping, equine control and so much else.

"We've long called for support for local authorities; via a thorough review of their funding, training and enforcement provisions impacting animals – so the Welsh Government's acknowledgement that more funding will likely be needed is also a positive development."

Union will help European nationals stay in UK after Brexit

EUROPEAN nationals working in Wales as carers, healthcare assistants and school support staff, among others, are to be offered assistance by Wales' biggest trade union in processing their applications to remain in the UK after Brexit.

UNISON Cymru Wales has linked-up with charity Settled, to pilot training on how trade union representatives might support EU citizens who may be struggling with their application to the UK Government's Settlement Scheme.

This week, training courses are being held in UNISON offices in Abergele and Cardiff and it is hoped similar events will be rolled-out across Wales.

The trade union has repeatedly underlined the contribution of foreign nationals working in Welsh public services and says they face an increasingly hostile environment during the Brexit transition. The idea is for UNISON representatives in workplaces across Wales to become 'Settled Status Angels' who could assist people and signpost complex cases to organisations with the relevant experience.

German-born Manuela Hughes has lived in the UK since 1992. She is employed as a special unit leader in an autism centre in a Pembrokeshire secondary school and has just secured Settled Status. Manuela said: "The whole process of applying to remain in the UK is confusing, frustrating and traumatic and could put people off pursuing what is their right. That's why it's so good UNISON has made a commitment to offer support to Welsh public service workers.

"My Settled Status has just been confirmed, but there's no certificate or paperwork that's legally binding. I worry if a future government chooses to move the goal-posts, the UK will be looking at another Windrush scandal."

Tanya Palmer, UNISON regional secretary said: "You only need to visit your doctor's

surgery, a local hospital, or school to see EU nationals are working hard in public service and caring for our communities. They have enriched our culture and now it is time to help them. UNISON wants to provide assistance where we can."

Settled is a charitable arm of campaign group the3million, which aims to give a voice to the three million EU citizens in the UK. The Welsh Government has provided funding to Settled to appoint a 'Settled Status Angel coordinator', who will provide free accredited training and resources to both individuals and groups.

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House prices in Wales reach all-time peak

HOUSE prices in Wales have reached an all-time peak, with the average house price across the country now £193,254, despite a drop in overall sales in 2019.

In 2019, the average house price in Wales grew by 3.3%, a £6,237 rise since December 2018. Over the quarter in Wales (October – December 2019), house prices rose by 1.7%.

Despite house price growth in 2019, house sales were down by 6% in 2019 compared to the previous year. The reduction is likely to be due to the uncertainties associated with Brexit and then latterly the General Election. Tom Denman, chief financial officer at Principality Building Society said: "It's been a decent year for average house price growth in Wales, mainly supported by historically low interest rates, a shortage of housing supply and relatively high employment. First time buyers were the driving force behind housing sales, with holiday homes also performing well.

"Now that there is a bit more clarity politically, we will wait to see if house sales pick up in 2020, although we anticipate continued modest growth in terms of house prices as a whole."

At the end of 2019, eight local authority areas established new peak prices, among them Bridgend (£180,988), Merthyr Tydfil (£141,657), Rhondda Cynon Taf (£142,733) and Swansea (£188,417). Principality's House Price Index figures show that the largest decrease in sales in Q4 2019 compared to Q4 2018 have been flats, down by 32.6%, followed by detached properties which were down by 12.5%. Semi-detached sales reduced by 9.6%, with terraces down by 6.5%, which supports indications that first-time buyers are now more attracted to terraced and semi-detached properties, rather than to small city centre flats.

In the past decade house prices in Wales have risen by 24.5%. Over this same 10-year time span, the CPIH index for consumer price inflation has increased by some 22.6%. This means that the average house price in Wales has grown in 'real' terms by just 1.9% in the past decade.

Cardiff tops the list with house price growth of 41.2% for the decade, followed by Torfaen at 37.7% and Newport at 33.4%. The top nine authorities in terms of growth are all located in the south-east corner of Wales – which may indicate the extent to which Cardiff, and the Severn Bridge tolls, have had an impact on housing demand, and therefore house prices, in this area over the last 10 years.

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Hike in number of animals with TB being slaughtered

COMMENTING on the latest bovine TB figures released on January 15 by DEFRA, Andrew RT Davies AM Shadow Minister for Environment, Sustainability, and the Environment said: "Each month, farmers and others in our rural communities anticipate these figures with apprehension, and with good reason.

"The stats for the year to October 2019 show that 12,742 animals were slaughtered because of bovine TB, which, up from 10,303, is a rise of 24 percent on the same period in 2018. England, by contrast, saw a drop of two percent.

"Clearly, the Welsh Labour Minister for the Environment and Rural Affairs has not got to grips with her brief in the almost four years in post, and farmers, and the rural economy here in Wales, suffer as a result.

"But the suffering is not only financial. Recently in the Chamber, my colleague Paul Davies AM/AC spoke passionately on the subject of farmers enduring mental health problems. Bovine TB is another pressure, another cause of stress that our hardworking farmers and their families suffer, and it's time it ended.

"A Welsh Conservative Government would develop a new, holistic approach for the eradication of bovine TB and look at all options to achieve this.

"Until then, we will harry this Welsh Labour administration to listen to farmers – as well as the Farmers' Union of Wales and NFU Cymru – to step up its efforts to control this disease and bring this crisis to an end."

NFU Cymru Glamorgan County Conference

NFU president Minette Batters will be the guest speaker at this year's Glamorgan county conference, which will be held on January 29 at Grove Golf Club, Porthcawl, CF33 4RP.

Mrs Batters will discuss her current role within the union and ongoing policy work. NFU Cymru president John Davies will also be in attendance to give an update on the work NFU Cymru is undertaking.

Hot beef rolls will be served from 12pm with the meeting beginning at 12.30pm. Gwyn Thomas, county chairman, said: "I'd like to thank Mrs Batters and our president, John Davies, for taking the time to come along. I encourage members to bring along a family members, friend or neighbour for what promises to be a really insightful evening."

NFU Cymru would like to thank HSBC UK for their continued support in sponsoring all 11 county conferences.

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For more information on Duke, visit the Dogs Trust Rehoming Centre in Bridgend, CF31 4NG; or call 01656 338745. You can also visit www.dogstrust.org.uk.

Miners Pension Compensation

We are successfully claiming compensation for former Welsh miners who transferred out of the Mineworkers Pension Scheme.

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Example 2 - £87,000

Mr G. from **SWANSEA** was in the **ARMED FORCES**. In 1989 he was persuaded by a sales agent of **SCOTTISH AMICABLE** (now the Prudential) to transfer his Army Pension to them. He was promised a better pension. His pension was actually much less than the Army Pension. Compensation £38,724.

In the 1980's and 90's many people were persuaded by sales agents to transfer OUT of their work pension on the promise of a better return, however this was not true.

If you know a coal miner or someone else this might apply to, please make them aware of this information.

Example 1 - £87,000

Mr C. from **RISCA** worked at **CWM**. After the pit closed in 1986 he was advised by an agent of the **PRUDENTIAL** to transfer out of the miners pension. When he retired he noticed his pension wasn't as much as his friends who stayed in the miners scheme. Compensation £87,649.

Example 2 - £48,000

Mr W. from **PONTYPRIDD** worked at **MERTHYR VALE**. After the pit closed in 1989 he was advised by an independent financial advisor to transfer his miners pension to **SCOTTISH LIFE** (now Royal London). Even though the financial advisors were no longer in business he received compensation of £48,000.

Example 3 - £103,000

Mr J. from **CAERPHILLY** worked at **PENALTA**. After the pit closed in 1991 he was advised by a sales agent of the **PRUDENTIAL** to transfer out of the miners pension. This was not good advice, he lost out as a result. Compensation - £103,759.

Example 4 - £112,000

Mr H. from **PORTH** worked at **ABERCYNON**. After the pit closed in 1988 he was advised by an agent of **PEARL ASSURANCE** (now Phoenix Life) to transfer his miners pension to them. He noticed his pension wasn't as much as his friends who stayed in the British Coal Scheme. Compensation - £112,638.

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Volunteers needed for charity's daffodil Appeal

MARIE Curie, the UK's leading charity for people living with a terminal illness and their families, is urgently calling for volunteers in the Vale to give just two hours of their time to hand out the charity's iconic daffodil pins, in return for donations.

Volunteers will be supporting the Great Daffodil Appeal – Marie Curie's biggest fundraising campaign, held every February and March.

In the next 10 years, more than six million people will die in the UK and of this number, 75% will need end of life care.

The money raised from the Great Daffodil Appeal will help the Marie Curie Hospice, Cardiff and Vale (known locally as Holme Towers) and the local community team provide much-needed expert care to people with terminal illnesses, as well as support for their loved ones.

Hannah Leckie, Marie Curie Community Fundraiser for Cardiff and the Vale said: "Whether you wear a daffodil pin in celebration, in solidarity or in memory of a loved one, you are joining with millions of others to help make sure all dying people get the care and support they deserve.

"Volunteering just two hours at a local collection is a great way to show your support to your local Marie Curie hospice and help us raise money to help make sure that we can be there for more people at the end of their lives.

"Collecting can be a lot of fun too. You can do it on your own or with family and friends, and we will support you every step of the way. Volunteering is also an easy way to get involved in your local community and meet new people."

To volunteer for Marie Curie's Great Daffodil Appeal and give out the charity's daffodils pins in return for donations, visit mariecurie.org.uk/collect or call the local fundraising team in Penarth on 02920 426 068.

Start your career on the beach with the RNLI

THE Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) is in search of new recruits to spend a season working on some of south Wales' most popular beaches, as applications open for 2020 beach lifeguards.

In south Wales, the RNLI is keen to find new recruits to help with the seasonal service at Whitmore Bay, Llantwit Major, Southerndown, Ogmore, Pink Bay, Rest Bay, Coney/Sandy Bay, Trecco Bay, Aberavon, Swansea Bay, Langland, Caswell, Three Cliffs and Port Eynon.

At the forefront of the RNLI's lifesaving work, the charity's lifeguards responded to almost 20,000 incidents and helped more than 32,000 people in 2018. Successful applicants receive world-class training in search and rescue, lifesaving and casualty care techniques, good rates of pay and the chance to develop valuable skills for a future career.

In order to apply, there is a requirement to hold a National Vocational Beach Lifeguard Qualification (NVBLQ) or equivalent. A health assessment (including an eyesight test) to ensure you are physically up to the job will be required. All lifeguards must be able to complete:

- A 400m pool swim in under 7½ minutes, the first 200m of which must be completed in under 3½ minutes.
- A 25m pool swim underwater and a 25m surface swim consecutively in under 50 seconds.
- A 200m beach run in under 40 seconds.

Lee Fisher, Lifeguard Services Manager said: "Working as a lifeguard is a unique and rewarding experience – you get to call the beach your office! But far more importantly, you are there to make sure the public stay safe while enjoying their visit, and ultimately to help save lives at sea.

"This is a demanding job requiring commitment, skill and a clear head, but it's also a job that is truly life changing. We're looking for people with courage, determination and the ability to put their training into action and make the right decision if someone's life is in danger. It is an incredibly rewarding role."

It's not just on the beach where lifeguarding skills can be put into practice; the training provided by the charity can be an ideal first step towards many career paths, including continuing to work for the RNLI or for a career in the emergency services.

Find out more about how you can make a difference and apply to be part of the lifesaving team at rnli.org/BeALifeguard.

Pop in to the pop-up choir, and see how you like singing!

POPULAR pop-up choir Vale Voices gets back together on Monday, January 27 in Holy Trinity Church, Barry.

Rehearsals are from 6pm - 7pm and offer the chance to sing a range of music at price of £20 for 13 rehearsals (under 16s £5). All music is supplied.

To mark their 10th anniversary, Vale Voices will perform the Faure Requiem as they did in 2010, with a small orchestra; a contrasting second half will feature pop classics. The concert will be on Saturday, May 2 in All Saints', Barry after which the group will disband until the following year. A key aim of Vale Voices is to introduce newcomers to group singing and encourage them to join another choir after a positive experience in VV. Rehearsals are fast-paced and fun, and all singers whatever their experience – or lack of it – are welcome. The choir is led by Dot Connell and longstanding member Joe Green, who will step out from the tenors to take on direction for part of the concert. All YOU need to do is turn up and join in!

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Steven adds: "We find that many of our customers like this approach; it is a bit more involved than just ordering your furniture from a catalogue, as is the case with many of our competitors who claim to be 'bespoke'.

"The past six years have also seen the business expand in size. When Steven and I got together, there literally was just the two of us. We now employ six people, from cabinet makers, expert finishers, dedicated showroom staff and our local apprentice," explains Peter Adamec, Steven's business partner at Adam Elliot.

"We have embarked on a strategy of expansion and consolidation: only moving forward when it is financially viable and perhaps, more importantly, sustainable.

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Parish boundary maps go digital

PARISH boundary maps across Wales are going digital for the first time in a project aimed at improving the way churches serve their communities.

The Church in Wales is investing in creating a digital map of the whole country, including the boundaries of its 466 parishes and ministry areas. The maps will then be used to model demographic trends specific to each area.

The project will provide church leaders with data about people in their areas – such as the age profile, education level and employment status – enabling them to tailor their services accordingly. That could mean setting up more foodbanks or debt centres in areas where there is greatest poverty, or extending initiatives, such as Messy Church and after school clubs, to places where there are high numbers of children.

The data collected will also provide a better context for the Church in Wales' membership statistics and help inform decisions about how best to support congregations. The mapping work is being undertaken by Exegesis, a geographical information systems agency, with the data software provided by the Church Army. The project is supported by the Allchurches Trust with a grant of £14,500.

Simon Lloyd, provincial secretary of the Church in Wales, said: "We are very grateful to Allchurches Trust for this grant towards our digital mapping project, an exciting project which will provide us with a complete digital picture of our parish, mission and ministry areas. As the Church in Wales celebrates its centenary this year, this project will give us the most up-to-date tools on which to help build our future."

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News from Llangan and Treoes with Nancy Davidge

LLANGAN Primary School: on January 17 six of the school's years 5/6 pupils attended a Lego tournament at the Swansea Maritime Museum, which they enjoyed.

A big thank you to Miss England and Mrs Adams at Cross Farm Nursery, for the cheque for £150 – commission for the sale of Christmas trees purchased by parents from Llangan School.

Miss England and Mrs Adams have continually supported the school over the years, and thanks to the parents who will continue to purchase their Christmas trees from Cross Farm.

Of interest to parents of Llangan School: Proposed prohibition of waiting/loading at any time, un-named road that fronts Llangan Primary School, dated January 16, 2020.

Director of Environment and Housing, Vale of Glamorgan Council.

Saron Chapel, Treoes

The next service at Saron Chapel will take place on Sunday, January 26 at 3pm; officiating minister Rev Alwyn Evans. Everyone is assured of a warm welcome.

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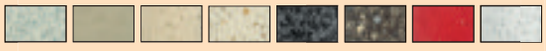

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New bylaws to protect threatened and vulnerable fish come into force

NEW bylaws which will help protect increasingly vulnerable and threatened stocks of salmon and sea trout in rivers across Wales are in place for the 2020 season.

The bylaws, which came into force on New Year's Day and will last for 10 years, mean all salmon caught by rod and net fisheries must be released alive with minimum injury and delay.

Measures, taken by Natural Resources Wales, have also been introduced to help protect sea trout in many rivers with all rod-caught sea trout over 60cm having to be released alive.

Also, new controls on angling methods will improve the survival of released fish so they can contribute to spawning stocks.

Peter Gough, Principal Fisheries Advisor for Natural Resources Wales, said: "All of our salmon stocks are in serious trouble and have fallen to historically low levels. The same is true of the majority (70%) of our sea trout stocks.

"Over the past five years, we have engaged in a thorough process to set out the evidence to justify introduction of new fishing regulations to help protect these vulnerable stocks.

"After an inquiry that explored the evidence, the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs approved new rod and net fishing bylaws to help protect these iconic fish.

"Even relatively small numbers of fish are crucial to recover stocks in as short a time as possible. Every spawning fish matters."

In addition, and as required by the Minister, Natural Resources Wales continues to work with partners and Welsh Government to identify and address the range of pressures damaging stocks.

Mr Gough added: "We firmly believe that the new bylaws, along with a range of other urgent measures such as tackling agricultural pollution, improving water quality, improving habitats and managing potential threats from predators, are vital for the future of salmon and sea trout in Wales.

"We want to work with the fishing communities and all with a stake in our river environments to protect our fish and fisheries for future generations to enjoy.

"The bylaws will be a positive step in helping protect stocks."

Challenge for future cyber security experts

THE National Matrix Challenge went live on January 20, and is open to every 11 to 17 year old in the United Kingdom.

The challenge consists of three stages, which will eventually lead to the crowning of a national champion in both the 11–14 and 15–17 year old age categories.

Stage one of the Matrix Challenge is a digital game that will help players to be safer online, understand the law and test their cyber skills.

The highest performers will then go forward to stage two.

Stage two will allow those successful to take part in a regional live semi-final at Cardiff City Stadium on March 28 when players will have the opportunity to take on activities designed and run by cyber security-focused industry partners.

The top three in each age category from Tarian's regional competition go forward to the national event.

The Matrix Challenge is being run by the Tarian Regional Cyber Crime in the south Wales area with the help of South Wales, Gwent and Dyfed Powys Police forces.

Detective Sergeant Warren Davies of Tarian Regional Cyber Crime Unit, said: "This is a fantastic opportunity for all 11 to 17 year olds across the Tarian Wales region to test their cyber security skills and hopefully start to consider future roles in the industry.

Chief Constable of Derbyshire Police and NPCC Cyber Crime Lead Peter Goodman said: "Our young people will compete against a national virtual peer network when they experiment and test their abilities using online-connected technologies.

They will learn to understand about the legal boundaries of cybercrime, enabling them to differentiate between what is a legal or illegal act.

"This is a great opportunity to identify emerging digital talent for policing and our partners."

To take part in stage one of the National Matrix Challenge visit matrix-challenge.uk between January 20 and February 14.

Visit our website for all the latest news and sports

Concern expressed over implications of National Trust tree planting plans for tenants

FARMERS' Union of Wales (FUW) staff have expressed concerns regarding the implications for members, who are National Trust tenants, given the Trust's plans to plant large numbers of trees on their land.

The concerns were expressed during a meeting of the union's county executive officers, who represent members in Wales' 12 FUW county regions, some of which include large areas of land owned by the trust. On January 9 the general director of the Trust revealed plans to grow 20 million trees over the next 10 years by planting saplings or removing livestock, to allow self-seeding; and dozens of farm tenancies are to be altered as they come up for renewal to cut sheep and cattle numbers.

To achieve their target, the Trust is looking to spend about £90 million creating 18,000 hectares of woodland, increasing the proportion of Trust land that is forest from 10% to 17% by 2030.

Speaking after the meeting, FUW president Glyn Roberts said: "Our members are fully supportive of appropriate tree planting where this does not undermine farm productivity and the environment. Indeed, they regularly complain about the obstacles they come across when they try to plant trees.

"However, many National Trust farmers have contacted us to raise concerns regarding the announcement. Of course, given the urgent need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the role played by soils and plants in sequestering carbon is rightly attracting significant attention, with a particular focus on the planting of trees. But we mustn't forget that within the past century, the area of woodland in Wales increased threefold from 5% in 1919 to around 15% in 2016, with mainly deciduous farm woodlands making up 30% of the area."

The president further stressed that the experience over the past century highlights the damage that well-intentioned policies aimed at increasing woodland areas can have.

"With the trust proposing to remove sheep and cattle from land to allow natural afforestation, it must also be remembered that the removal of agriculture has been directly associated by scientists with habitat and species loss in hundreds of examples from around the world, including the UK."

The charity Plantlife recently warned that '…more than half of all wild plants need regular management or disturbance to thrive; 611 (39.6%) species will decline within a decade if the land on which they grow is simply abandoned and 127 (16.4%) will decline within one to three years'.

"If the National Trust wants to do more to become carbon neutral, perhaps looking at providing public transport to their sites would be a good place to start. That is especially pertinent if we consider their annual visitor numbers top 25 million and the carbon footprint these generate.

"Transport is the third-highest polluter, with agriculture responsible for just 10% of greenhouse gas emissions. In fact, UK beef and lamb carbon emissions are 35% lower than the current global average and emissions from Welsh agriculture have decreased by 12% since 1990 as a result of a range of improvements."

Given such concerns, Mr Roberts has written to the Trust to ask them to clarify their plans and highlighted the concerns of tenants as well as those who farm near National Trust land.

Snowdrops signal spring is coming

SHAKE off the winter and welcome the first signs of spring with the National Garden Scheme Snowdrop Festival.

These glorious harbingers of the wonderful life of gardens to come can be viewed in over 100 National Garden Scheme gardens throughout England and Wales during January, February and March. On a wintry day there is nothing better than visiting a garden teeming with one of the earliest flowering plants of the year – and the National Garden Scheme's fourth annual Snowdrop Festival welcomes the first signs of spring.

Whether you enjoy carpets of naturalised white in woodlands, meticulously grown rare varieties of snowdrops or gardens boasting a colourful mix of snowdrops, hellebores and other early spring flowers – there is something for galanthophiles and garden enthusiasts alike throughout January and February. George Plumptre of The National Garden Scheme said: "Garden visiting at this time of year isn't just for galanthophiles who are looking to discover a rare variety of snowdrop in gardens they may never otherwise find. Snowdrops are the perfect antidote to the winter blues, and spending the afternoon at one of our Snowdrop Festival gardens is the ideal opportunity to enjoy some spectacular scenes at an otherwise gloomy time of year."

Slade Garden, Southerndown, CF32 0RP opens on February 16 and 23: an unexpected jewel next to the sea with views overlooking the Bristol Channel, the garden tumbles down a valley protected by a belt of woodland. In front of the house are delightful formal areas, a rose and clematis pergola and herbaceous borders. Garden highlights include Snowdrops, Hellebores, Hermodactylus Tuberosa –Black Widow Iris. The visit makes for a good walk and wonderful views across the Bristol Channel with partial access with wheelchairs. A great day out for the family with the garden leading to the beach and hot mugs of soup served. Adults £5, children free. Visit ngs.org.uk/snowdrops or download the

What's on, and where?

Floral Society

THE Barry Floral Society will hold its AGM on Tuesday, January 28 at St Nicholas Hall, St Nicholas Road, Barry at 2.15pm. New members always welcome.

Penarth Computer Club

THE next meeting takes place at 7.30pm in All Saints Lesser Hall, Penarth, on Tuesday, January 28 when the topic will be 'Smartphones and tablets – basics'. The club offers advice and reassurance to retired (and younger) members on all types of devices; visitors always welcome.

Carers Group

ARE you a carer who cares unpaid for a friend or family member living with dementia and who would like to meet other informal carers?

A monthly carers group starts at the Senior Health Shop Café, 38 Holton Road, Barry CF63 4HD on Thursday, January 30 from 10am until 11.30am. Chat over a cuppa, hear about access to information and support, led by a volunteer Dementia Friends champion.

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CRITERIA REQUIRED:

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- **Speed of fault rectification**
- **Site environment, safety and storage of materials (so as not to be detrimental to their use)**
- **Client/customer satisfaction**
- **Sustainable and technical innovation**
- **Access for people with special adaptations**
- **Small Domestic, Housing and Commercial projects**

ABOVE: The Vale of Glamorgan Council's Building Control Group.

BUILDERS AND DEVELOPERS who use the building regulation service of the Vale of Glamorgan Council will be attending the 17th Building Excellence Awards dinner, organised through the Building Control Group of the Council at The Vale Resort Golf Club, Hensol on Friday, January 24.

Nominations for the awards are made by the council's Building Control surveyors, who are responsible for the supervision of the projects as they progress on site, through to the completion of the work.

Victoria Robinson, Operational Manager for Planning and Building Control says: "The nominations go to show yet again that there are several excellent examples of high-quality construction projects that have been undertaken within the Vale of Glamorgan.

"Ensuring that buildings are constructed in accordance with current building regulations requires a very high standard of workmanship.The builders nominated this year have proven that they can meet this requirement.

"I hope we continue to build upon the success of last year's awards, with all who take part having the ultimate aim of getting to The National Awards, in London in November this year."

Head of Regeneration and Planning, Marcus Goldsworthy emphasises: "Development of any size impacts upon our surroundings and the day-to-day lives of all of us.

"Ultimately, it is the builder who has the major responsibility in satisfying, not only the customer's needs, but also of meeting the terms of the legislation.

"The Building Awards will provide all those involved with well-deserved recognition for consistently carrying out work of a high standard.

"These awards are so important to recognise those builders and developers who are excelling and producing top quality schemes, which can compete on a national level.

"The awards also help those looking to appoint new contractors to focus on those builders and contractors who are considered to be the very best in their field."

COUNCIL'S THANKS

The Vale of Glamorgan Council would also like to thank all the sponsors of this event, without whom it would not be possible to recognise the builders and developers whose quality of work is making a positive difference to the environment of the Vale of Glamorgan.

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Winners of the Vale of Glamorgan event will go forward to the LABC South Wales 'Building Awards' dinner that will be held at the Vale of Glamorgan Golf & Spa Resort, Hensol, on Friday, May 1 2020.

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VALE OF GLAMORGAN BUILDING EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2020

EXTENSIONS/ALTERATIONS

Smithies Avenue, Sully

Builder: Dave Roberts.

Architect: Greg Tuck, Meridian Building Design.

THE scheme consists of updating a 1960s single storey bungalow with rear extensions to form new family accommodation.

A full plans application was submitted to Building Control which was duly vetted and conditionally approved. Once on site there was very good liaison between the builder and building control at every stage.

The whole building has been thermally upgraded with the additional of upgraded windows, roof insulation and new heating; the rear area has been demolished to accommodate the new rear extension to form the kitchen/family room and bedroom, which is constructed to current standards.

The relationship between the builder, architect and building control has been exceptional due to the architect being part of the partnership scheme and the builder producing a high standard of work which has been previously recognised.

A number of minor on-site problems were overcome during the project and resolved in consultation with building control.

The high standard of the overall scheme has resulted in a modern bungalow with state-of-the-art facilities, which enhance the existing sea views.

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Mountain Lodge, Hensol

Builder: Martin Watts-Jones
Agent: Don Mitchell Associates

MOUNTAIN Lodge is a beautiful 19th century neo-Gothic style property which was originally constructed as the south gate lodge to the Hensol Castle estate.

The extension and alteration works comprised a complete internal renovation of the existing property and a two storey extension to the north side. The extension was designed with features from the original property, while incorporating subtle contemporary touches.

The local contractor consists of a team of highly skilled master tradesmen who managed all aspects of the extension and organised sub-contractors where necessary. The complex, steeply sloping roof structure was constructed with ease by the contractor which demonstrates the high level of expertise.

The lower lead covered roof provides a visual definition between old and new, but also provided a problem with ventilation. This was eventually overcome by the contractor following an in-depth on-site meeting with Building Control.

This development is a true indication of the level that can be achieved when a good design, excellent contractor and close interaction with Building Control are combined. The views of open countryside are striking from within the extension, and externally the extension sits elegantly alongside the existing property.

Ashleigh House, Llangan

Builder: Jenkins Builders.
Agent: MAH Design

THE Ashleigh House development in Llangan consisted of the removal of the existing roof structure to allow for an additional storey to be added, internal remodelling works and the construction of a detached annexe.

The annexe was phase one of the project with the alterations to the existing house part of phase two. The contractor on this development was keen to have Building Control's input from the beginning with several pre-start meetings; this showed the contractor had the client's best interests in mind and was conscious of delivering a high standard build. Both phases of the development delivered unforeseeable problems for the contractor which were dealt with easily, and demonstrates the contractor's high level of competence.

The contractor has delivered a high quality extension with a depth of character and an annexe with a contemporary twist, both sitting beautifully within rural surroundings.

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EXTENSIONS/ALTERATIONS

Maes y Deri, Gwern Y Steeple

Contractor: Absolute Property Developers.

THE property was originally a dormer bungalow with dated décor and a simplistic plan layout.

The proposal was to put in a first floor extension with a complete new internal layout. The main objective for the designer was to keep a large, modern, open plan space allowing maximum natural light without losing its traditional characteristics. They have incorporated larger openings in the bedrooms and living areas, which allows the occupants to benefit from the stunning views around the property.

Absolute Property Developers were exceptionally easy to deal with throughout the various stages of the project and because of that, an excellent working relationship was formed. With excellent communication and their keen interest to comply with current regulations, it was very easy for the plans to be slightly altered to allow full compliance with the Approved Documents.

Wernlas, Dinas Powys

Contractor: Hobbs and Jones Ltd.
Agent: Susan Rosser

THE scheme consists of updating a 1900s detached house and adding a two storey side extension to form new family accommodation and a master bedroom suite.

A full plans application was submitted to Building Control which was duly vetted and conditionally approved. Once on site there was very good liaison between the builder and building control at every stage.

The new extension to form the kitchen/family room, bedroom, which is constructed to current standards. The relationship between the builder and Building Control has been very good and the builder has produced a high standard of work which has been previously recognised.

A number of minor on site problems were overcome during the project and resolved in consultation with Building Control. The high standard of the overall scheme has resulted in a modern addition which enhances the existing period property.

BEST SOCIAL HOUSING

Cwrt Parc, Woodlands Road, Barry

Contractor: M&J Cosgrove
Applicant: Hafod Housing
Agent: Dennis Hellyar Architects

THE project involved the construction of three blocks of apartments totalling 27 units for social housing.

As the site was a brown-field site, there were issues with the ground conditions which meant excavations had to be dug a considerable amount deeper to block 2.

The build was a traditional masonry construction with a clay brick finish and anthracite windows, doors, fascia and soffits to give a modern finish on a traditional looking building.

Access was at the forefront of the design with particular regard given for people with disabilities.

The site was located on a busy junction and Cosgroves worked well to ensure that there was minimal disruption to traffic and neighbouring properties. An exceptionally high quality build was achieved as the construction was inspected by building control and LABC warranty.

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BEST SOCIAL HOUSING

Greenwood Close, Wenvoe

Contractor: Hale Construction.
Applicant: Newydd Housing.
Agent: Tony King Architects.

Also nominated in the Best Small Housing category.

THE small development of 15 houses is constructed of timber frame with a mix of stone and rendered external finish.

Timber frame construction enabled each house to achieve a higher thermal efficiency compared to traditional masonry structures, lowering the running costs while increasing floor space. The final product has blended in with the surrounding area while also creating a picturesque development for new owners.

A good relationship was established with Hale Construction during the design stage and was maintained throughout the build. This allowed discussions of the designs and how to overcome certain factors of the build, in order to comply with current building regulations.

The site manager liaised closely and informed Building Control of any issues that arose and provided sufficient notice of any inspections that were required. When design changes were made the Building Control team were notified, to ensure compliance was maintained to the highest quality.

Health and safety was taken seriously on-site by all personnel, procedures were followed at all times. This was achieved by using appropriate signage around the entire site and the inductions were provided by the site manager. This decreased the risks to health and safety, making it a safe environment for managers, tradesmen and visitors.

Due to the contractor and agent using the most up-to-date technology and communication methods, this allowed the process throughout the planning and build stages to be efficient and effective.

BEST NEW DWELLING

Stanfield House, Wick

Contractor – Mr Richardson.
Agent – Tony Jenkins.

THIS development consisted of a three storey four bedroom dwelling.

The contractor overcame several potential problems during the build with ease, this is testament to the contractor's professional approach from start to finish. The building achieved an air pressure test result of 2.7, which demonstrates the high level of quality that was achieved.

The relationship between the contractor and the department went from strength to strength through the build; this contributed to the contractor delivering a fully compliant dwelling finished to the highest standard.

Hillside Farm, Ton Breigam

Contractor – MDS Contractors Ltd.
Agent – Planabuild.

THIS two bedroom rural enterprise dwelling is embedded with quality.

It was clear from the outset that the contractor wanted to deliver an excellent house for the client. The contractor is a previous award winner and has built up a reputation for meticulous attention to detail on every project I have had the pleasure of dealing with over the past 12 years.

This close working relationship, and regular site meetings helped deliver an exceptionally high standard, bespoke dwelling. The building incorporates solar water heating, oil central heating and a wood burning stove. The large exposed oak king trusses formed by the contractor on-site add a depth of character to the build and showcase the contractor's joinery skills.

The air leakage achieved was 2.4 with a designed value of 5, which truly demonstrates the contractor's 'over and above' approach to this project. All aspects of the project were managed by the contractor, all sub-contractors were closely monitored with the contractor passing any queries they had straight to Building Control.

The finished product is a beautiful two bedroom house set overlooking its own lake, within picturesque rural surroundings that is enriched with charm.

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Ebony House, St Nicholas

Contractor: Edwards Construction.
Agent: Hatcher Prichard Architects.

THE scheme consists of constructing a new state-of-the-art house.

A full plans application was submitted to Building Control which was duly vetted and conditionally approved.

The building consists of high specification timber frame walls around a steel frame. The drainage system runs to an on-site cesspit system and storm water to an infiltration system. The wall system to give the finish consists of multi-layer timber framing, insulation, breather membranes and cladding units.

The layout is constructed around the main ground floor kitchen/family room with four bedrooms with en-suites at first floor level.

Once on site there was very good liaison between the builder and building control at every stage. The house, which is constructed to current standards, achieved an air permeability rating of 4.25. The relationship between the builder and building control has been very good and the builder has produced a high standard of work.

A number of minor on-site problems were overcome during the project and resolved in consultation with building control.

The high standard of the overall scheme has resulted in a modern property for the 21st century.

BEST COMMERCIAL BUILDING

Llanerch Vineyard Hotel, Hensol

Contractor/applicant: Llanerch Vineyard.
Agent: Duffryn Design.

THIS 26-bedroom hotel is the first vineyard hotel in Britain.

The hotel offers the highest quality and every detail has been thought about, from luxury in-room products to maximising the spectacular scenery enjoyed by every room. The development was the vision of the owner, Ryan Davies, to develop a unique experience to visitors to the vineyard since taking over the bankrupt business in 2010.

The two storey building was erected with a timber frame internal skin and a masonry outer skin, with a well balanced mix of render, cedar cladding and stonework providing a contemporary look. The bathrooms were created and finished off-site and brought to site as pods during the early stages of the build as part of good project management.

During weekly site visits in the later stages of the build, I was able to work closely with the site manager to resolve many technical queries as they arose. Dealing with the family behind Llanerch has been nothing but a pleasure throughout this build: as a department we are proud to be associated with this flagship development for the Vale. Every element from start to finish was handled with care and finished to the highest standard.

Clare Garden Village, Cowbridge

Contractor: Taylor Wimpey
Agent: Taylor Wimpey.

THIS project involves the erection of 169 residential units comprising two, three, four and five bedroom dwellings with affordable housing and associated infrastructure.

This development is Phase one of three, which in total involves the erection of 500 much needed new homes for Cowbridge. The finish has been a mixture of face brick, stone and render which has complemented the surrounding area. This site has been under construction for around 18 months and has continuously maintained a high level of quality throughout.

The planning and management of the project has been excellent throughout. Health and safety during the build has been exemplary, with many features going beyond the legal requirement. There has been excellent communication between the site management team and Building Control with any defects being immediately rectified.

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Out & About with The GEM

Forget Dry January – people are being encouraged to drink beer

THE brewing industry has its own new year trend and there are loads of Welsh events coming up to celebrate, *writes Neil Goodman*.

There are all sorts of quirky fads to get involved in; you've got the cruelty-free foodie stint of Veganuary, along with every pubs' worst nightmare – Dry January.

While Dry January might be good for your liver and your wallet, there's one trend that actually encourages you to drink beer.

'Tryanuary', the volunteer-led campaign that promotes support for the beer industry in January is back.

The annual campaign is run by people passionate about beer and the industry, who want to help breweries, bars, pubs and other beer venues during the tough month of January.

Mike Hampshire, national campaign coordinator, said: "Every year starts the same; many people make New Year's resolutions about improving health and wellbeing and often the first thing that stops is alcohol consumption.

"This isn't a promotion to encourage irresponsible drinking; beer can be enjoyed as part of a balanced lifestyle all year round and pubs are great community spaces. My slogan at the moment is 'Remember, pubs aren't just for Christmas!'"

Breweries and beer venues are encouraged to take part by organising events that can be listed free of charge on the Tryanuary website and be actively promoted on social media by organisers using #Tryanuary.

People who are planning on taking part in Dry January are still encouraged to join in Tryanuary too. We're seeing a growth in the production and consumption of alcohol-free beers in the UK. There are some fantastic brewery innovators out there making tasty alcohol-free ales, from pales to stouts. There's no reason why Dry January participants can't join in Tryanuary too!"

Already, Llandow-based Tomas & Lilford Brewery (*pictured above*) have played host to a local CAMRA branch meeting and Aberystwyth's Bottle & Barrel have had a 'meet the brewer' night with Cardiff's Rival Brewery and although the month is almost over, there's plenty more going on in the area.

Bridgend-based Wales Ales, the country's only hand delivered beer service, has a number of special deals available on their website. They specialise in stocking beers from small Welsh micro breweries and bring the beers to your door.

The Ale Trail is essentially a bus-based beer festival taking you around a number of pubs you might not normally go to.

The good news is that they are set to do yet another Vale of Glamorgan Trail on April 4 and are offering an early bird Tryanuary discount.

Dog's Window Brewery are based in Bridgend and operate out of a garage, but are proving small is mighty and are gaining an enviable reputation for quality and interesting beers. They've embraced Tryanuary by releasing a number of new beers such as a Black Rice ale, Vienna Session IPA and a Raspberry wheat beer.

Wargaming show storming into Penarth

THE Penarth and District Wargames Society is organising its annual show, entitled 'Crusade' and the society says that it is the largest of its type staged anywhere in Wales.

This year's show is the 25th and will again take place at St Cyres School, Penarth, on Saturday, January 25. Enthusiasts are expected from all over the UK.

A club spokesman said: "The society is the oldest and most active wargame society in Wales and includes players of different types and periods of games. These range from Ancients to Modern and Ultra Modern, as well as Fantasy and Science Fiction.

"The scales used also vary considerably with figures ranging in height from 2mm to 40mm.

"The club's activities also include role-playing games such as Dungeons and Dragons, where the player has direct control over miniature character's actions, and numerous board games such as Carcassonne, Risk and Mysterium, plus numerous card-based games."

He continued: "The society is a friendly welcoming club to both experienced or novice gamers. The club meets weekly, every Tuesday at the Glyndwr Hall, Glyndwr Road in Penarth from 7.15pm and also all day on the first Saturday of each month at Glyndwr Hall from 10am.

"We also have an all day meeting at Llancaiach Fawr Manor in Nelson, usually on the third Sunday each month. In addition, we travel to a number of other shows around the UK with a display game to promote the club and socialise with other parts of the wargaming community."

For more information, go to www.penarthwargames.co.uk.

Events in your area

Macmillan information bus is coming to Bridgend

FREE cancer information and support is coming to Bridgend next week.

Macmillan Cancer Support's information bus Bronwen will visit with specialists on hand to answer questions and provide information.

It will be at Tesco, Cowbridge Road on Thursday, January 23 from 9am to 3pm and on Victoria Street in Pontycymer on Friday, January 24 between 9am and 3pm.

Anyone with worries relating to cancer can stop by, whether they're living with cancer, or caring for someone who is.

There will also be help with the financial impact of cancer and a private room for sensitive and private conversations with staff. If you are unable to visit the unit, but have questions about cancer, visit www.macmillan.org.uk or call Macmillan free on 0808 808 00 00 (seven days a week, 8am to 8pm). You can find out about Macmillan services near you at: www.macmillan.org.uk/in-your-area/choose-location.html.

Art Society

ON Thursday, January 23 there will be a watercolour demonstration by Llantwit Major artist Peter Cronin at Cowbridge Art Society.

On Thursday, January 30, a demonstration in acrylics by Cowbridge artist Sue McDonagh.

The society meets in the Old Hall from 7pm-9pm on Thursday evenings for 10 sessions each term. New members and visitors are welcome. This term's programme is available in the foyer of the Old Hall, Cowbridge or see facebook.com/cowbridgeart.cas.

PACT meetings in the Vale

WHY not come along to Gibbonsdown 'Cuppa with a Copper' held every Monday morning at the Aberaeron HUB, Aberaeron Close between 10am and 12 noon?

Meet your local officers on Thursday, January 23 at The Civic Offices, Holton Road, Barry at 6.30pm.

Cuppa with a Copper at Penarth Library on Thursday, January 23 at 10.30am.

A Police Surgery will be held at Altantic College (next to the food hall) on Thursday, January 30 between 5.30pm and 6.30pm.

A Deaf PACT Meeting will be held on Monday, February 24 between 6pm and 7.30pm at the Emergency Services Centre, Barry Fire Station, Barry.

Dyfan PACT will be held at the Barry Fire Station, Port Road West, Barry on Monday, March 2 at 7pm at Barry Fire Station.

Chatty Café

JOIN the Chatty Cafe, a friendly natter over a cup of tea, at Llantwit Major library on Saturday, January 25 from 11.30am to 12.30am.

Cowbridge U3A

INTERESTED in joining? Come and meet committee members for a friendly chat over coffee from 11am on Monday, January 27 in the Bear Hotel, Cowbridge.

Music at Lunchtime

CONCERTS at All Saints' Church, Penarth start on Monday, January 27 with a recital by violinist Helena Todd and piano soloist Nicola Rose.

Starting at 1pm; entry free, but donations to be shared with performers' charity. See dafydd.allsaints@gmail.com.

Pupils map the route to a better future

Albert Primary School pupils use their local knowledge to produce the user-friendly maps.

YEAR 5 pupils of Albert Primary School, Penarth took part in a new project with the sustainable transport charity Sustrans, and the Vale Council to identify good quality walking and cycling routes in the area with the aim of producing an Active Travel Map for Penarth.

The maps will be developed by the children to encourage more walking and cycling to and from school. Traditionally, maps are created by non-local cartographers using digital information supplied by local authorities and other organisations and symbols in these maps may not be easily understood by children. The children re-shaped the maps by sharing their knowledge of the local area. They identified key local landmarks, local routes and cut-throughs, and developed a set of symbols and map key for the new map.

Sustrans also held a parent engagement workshop at the end of the day, where families helped identify landmarks and as routes that they and their children use frequently.

The bilingual Active Travel Map will be available to students, staff and parents free at the end of the project.

By The Albert Primary Media Monitors.

Celebrating Welsh Breakfast Week

Farming Matters by Rachel Saunders

THIS week marks the FUW's annual Farmhouse Breakfast week and across the country, many have already opened their kitchens and have come together in village halls to celebrate the fantastic food farmers produce every day.

It really is a flagship week for why #FarmingMatters. Sitting around a table with family, friends, neighbours and colleagues to share what's on your mind over a cup of tea or coffee – what better way is there to start the day?

On Tuesday, we started the day with a breakfast in Cardiff together with many industry stakeholders and politicians. It was a morning with Wales on a plate. Sausages from Welshpool; eggs from Aberdare; yoghurts from Llannefydd; potatoes from Pembrokeshire; Welsh beef from Celtic Pride's farm suppliers; milk and butter from Carmarthenshire and jam from the Llyn Peninsula.

We used the opportunity to talk to the many Assembly Members who joined us about a new way forward, fitting for a new year and a new decade.

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However, sustainability is not just about our industry's positive contributions to the environmental necessity of combatting climate change.

We have new opportunities to build a wider, deeper sustainability around the way we live and work, to make a long-lasting, positive change to current and future generations of Welsh citizens.

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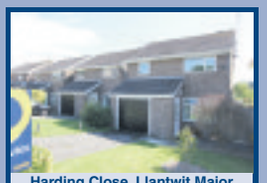

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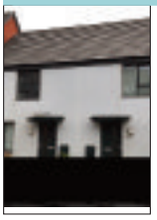

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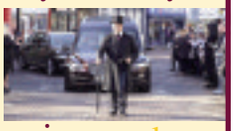

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Andy

Funeral service on Friday, 31st January 2020 at Coychurch Crematorium at 10.30am.

All enquiries to W.H. Preene & Son, Mwyndy, Pontyclun, CF72 8PN. Tel: 01443 223368

YOUNG
Jacquelyn Margaret (Jacky) (*née* James)

Died peacefully at home on 14 January 2020, aged 72 years. Sorely missed wife of John and mother of Simon and Jacob.

Private cremation followed by a celebration of a life well lived at St Mary's Church, Shrewton on Thursday, 6th February 2020 at 12 noon. Please wear bright colours. Donations, if desired, for the Injured Jockeys Fund and/or Macmillan c/o I N Newman Ltd, 55 Winchester St, Salisbury, SP1 1HL. Tel: 01722 413136

BRIERLEY
Philip Edmund

Passed away peacefully on Sunday, 12th January with his family beside him. He will be greatly missed but his life will be celebrated with a short service, as he would have wished.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Monday, 3rd February, service and cremation 11am at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry.

No flowers by request. Donations, if desired, to Diabetes UK would be welcomed c/o the funeral director.

Grateful thanks to nursing staff at Sam Davies Ward and Solace Team.

FRANKLIN
Colin

Colin passed peacefully at home on 7th January 2020. Beloved husband of the late Regina, loving father of Paul and Diane, and proud grandfather to Max and Sam

Colin will be sadly missed by all of his family and friends.

Resting at W.A. Brown Funeralcare, Llantwit Major until the service at Coychurch Crematorium on Tuesday, 28th January at 3.15pm.

Family flowers only. Donations in memory of Colin will gratefully received to Marie Curie.

PORTER
Desmond William (Des)

Peacefully on 12th January at Marie Curie Hospice, Penarth, Des, well known for his time at South Wales Electricity, St Mellons and devoted husband to Sandra. Much loved dad of Jonathan, respected father-in-law of Mandy. An adored grandad to Bethan.

Des will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until his service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Friday, 31st January at 4pm.

Family floral tributes only. Donations, if desired, may be made at the service to support Marie Curie Hospice in memory of Des.

Family request casual clothing may be worn.

HUDSON
Gwendoline Lilian (*née* Clemo)

Suddenly and unexpectedly at College Fields Nursing Home on 10th January, Gwen aged 97 years, passed away. Beloved wife of the late Arthur John and a much loved and treasured mother to Yvonne and Frank and in laws Des and Gill. Precious nanna to all her grandchildren and great-grandchildren

We will miss her unconditional love and support forever.

Resting at Robert D Johnson Funeral Directors, 29 Holton Road, Barry. A funeral service to celebrate Gwen's life will be held on Thursday, 30th January at 12 noon at the Cardiff & Vale Crematorium, Port Road, Barry. Family flowers only by request please, donations in memory of Gwen can be made at the service to the PDSA .

For all enquiries please telephone 01446 733844.

MORGAN
Ronald

9th June 1942 - 2nd January 2020.

Sadly passed away at home. Beloved husband of Sue. Loving dad of Claire and son-in-law Ian. Cherished Bampi to Mason and Fraser. Wonderful brother to Eleanor, Betty, Sandra, Trevor, Stuart and the late Sidney.

Ronald will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

He will live on forever in our hearts.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service on Wednesday, 29th January at 10am at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry.

NUTLEY
Barbara Jean (Babs)

Barbara sadly passed away on 28th December 2019 peacefully at home in Barry (formerly of Rhoose and RAF St Athan). Beloved wife of the late John, loving mother to Amelia (Amy), Dianne and the late Louis, mother-in-law to David and Gary and much loved grandmother to Rebecca, Kyle, Gary and Laura.

Service to be held on Tuesday, 28th January at St Mary of the Angels RC Church, Canton at 1pm with the committal at Briwnant Chapel, Thornhill Crematorium at 3pm. Family flowers only, donations in lieu, if desired, to Bloodwise.

SULLIVAN
Lilian Mary (Lily)

Peacefully on the 10th January at the University Hospital of Wales, Lily, beloved wife of the late Jimmy Sullivan. Dearly loved mum of Tina, Michael, Mark, Kerry, Debbie and the late Tony. Loving mother-in-law of Richard and the late Tony. Cherished Nanny Lil to all her Grandchildren and Great grandchildren

Lily will be greatly missed by all who loved and knew her.

Further details to follow.

BYWATER
John Leslie

Peacefully on 10th January at the Princess of Wales Hospital, John, aged 86 years, of Colwinston. Dearly loved husband of Eileen, proud father of Jonathan, David, Susan and Victoria and a loving grandfather of all his grandchildren.

Funeral Thursday, 6th February. Service and cremation at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend at 11am.

Family flowers only, donations in lieu may be made to the Army Benevolent Fund (ABF) The Soldiers Charity c/o Mel & Ron Watkins Funeral Services, 2 Hilda House,The Square, Pencoed, Bridgend, CF35 5NP. Tel 01656 860545.

PHILLIPS
June Patricia

Peacefully on 8th January, at Milsom House Care Home, June of Cowbridge. Beloved wife of the late Graham, loving mother of Richard and Emlyn John, dear mother-in-law of Frederique and much loved grandmother of Juliette and Camille.

Will be sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Funeral Friday, 7th February, service and cremation at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend at 2.15pm.

Family flowers only. Donations, if so desired, please for Alzheimer's Society c/o W.H Preene & Son, Mwyndy, Pontyclun CF72 8PN Tel: 01443 223368

WESTERN
William James (Billy)

Sadly passed away on Friday, 3rd January, aged 87 years. Devoted and caring husband to Cassie, beloved father of Janice, partner Stephen and much loved grandfather to Kathryn. A loving brother to Len and brother-in-law to Sue. And a loving brother to his late sisters.

He will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Resting at Park Funeral Directors until the service on Wednesday, 29th January at 1pm at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry. Family flowers only. Donations in lieu if desired can be made to Prostate Cancer or the British Heart Foundation.

The family of William James Western (Billy) would like to thank the people that stopped to help us on Friday, 3rd January on Court Road, Barry. Thank you for all you did for us that day, the family really appreciate it. Janice and Family.

SWALLOW
Doreen May

Sadly passed away at The University Hospital of Wales on 5th January, Doreen, beloved wife of the late Lionel, much loved mum of Pat and the late Mary, mother-in-law to the late Mike. Loving grandmother of Andrew and his wife Tracey also to Leslie, great-grandmother and great-great grandmother to all her grandchildren.

Resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until her service at St Helen's RC Church, Barry on Friday, 24th January at 1.15pm, followed by interment at Barry Cemetery.

Floral tributes may be sent to the funeral home.

BRITTEN
Peter John

Peacefully on 13th January at Llandough Hospital, surrounded by his family, Peter passed away aged 90 years. Beloved husband of Amy, much loved father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare, Barry, until the service on Monday, 3rd February at A.G. Adams Service Chapel at 11am, followed by committal at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry.

Family flowers only by request but donations in lieu can be made to the British Heart Foundation at the service.

BANFIELD
Joy Elizabeth

Sadly after a short illness aged 58 years, Joy passed away at UHW, Cardiff. Beloved daughter of the late Ken and Brenda, much loved sister of Julie and Steve, and auntie to Ryan, Jack, Max, and Mitchell.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare, Barry, until the service on Friday, 31st January at All Saints Church at 1pm, followed by burial at Barry Cemetery.

No flowers by request but donations in lieu of flowers can be made at the service to Dogs Trust.

NUGENT
Cynthia Margaret

On 10th January at the Heath Hospital, Cardiff Cynthia of Lydstep Road, Barry passed away peacefully in her sleep.

Resting at Park Funeral Directors until the Funeral Service on Monday, 27th January at 1pm at Merthyr Dyfan Church, Barry Cemetery, followed by committal.

HEATH
Philip James

Peacefully on 12th January at College Fields Nursing Home, Barry. Beloved husband of Kay, much loved father of Richard (Ted) and Jan, father-in-law of Jeff and Carolyn. Dearly loved stepfather, grandfather and great-grandfather.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Thursday, 30th January, service and cremation 11am at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Children's Wales Air Ambulance c/o the funeral director.

PRICE
Roydon Philip

Peacefully on the 9th January 2020 at The Manor House Nursing Home St. Hilary. Beloved husband of Beryl, father of Ralph and Rachel, father-in-law of Tak and Byron and much loved Grampi of Alicha, Thomas, Justin, Alex, Callum and Aaron.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Friday, 31st January 2020 service and interment 2pm at St. Hilary Church.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to Oral Maxillo-facial Department UHW c/o W James & Sons, Fonmon.

Grateful thanks to Dr. Isabel Graham, The Manor House Nursing Home St. Hilary and the Oral Maxillo-facial Department at UHW for all the kindness and care he received.

QUICK
Peter

Passed peacefully on 10th January at Barry Hospital. Devoted son of Barbara and the late Bob. Loving brother of Steven, Margaret and Angela.

Peter will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

QUICK
Peter

Peacefully at Barry Community Hospital on 10th January, Peter, devoted husband of Pat and much loved stepdad to Janine and David, Tracy, Gareth, Myfanwy and Kevin. Loving Bampy of Cerys & Adam, Lauren, Joshua, Euan, Dylan, Kourtney and Eva-Brook.

He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Peter is resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until his service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Wednesday, 29th January at 11am

No Flowers by request. Donations, if desired, may be made at the service to support St Barruc Ward at Barry Community Hospital in memory of Peter.

GORDON
Eirlys

Peacefully on 6th January at St Athan. Loving mother of Kevin, Peter, Gary and Denise, mother-in-law of Sue, Paul and Connie. Much loved grandmother and great-grandmother.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Thursday, 6th February, service and cremation 12 noon at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend.

GULLY
Philip

Passed away peacefully at College Fields Nursing Home on 11th January 2020, aged 88 years. Loving Husband to the late Brenda, loving Father to Glyn and loved Father-in-law to Fran. Adored Grandfather to Beth and Alex. Adored Great-Grandfather to Harley.

Will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Resting at Park Funeral Directors until the Funeral service on Friday 24th January at the Luchana Mission, Hilary Rise Barry at 11am, followed by the Interment at Barry Cemetery at 12pm.

Family flowers only. Donations in lieu, if desired, can be made at the service given in memory of Philip to The Dogs Trust.

Acknowledgements

VAL CROYDON

The family would like to thank everyone who supported them during this sad time, your kindness has been overwhelming.

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1. Hysbysir ar 20 Ionawr 2020 fod Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, wrth arfer ei bwerau dan Ddeddf Rheoleiddio Traffig 1984 a Deddf Rheoli Traffig 2004 a'r holl bwerau galluogi eraill, yn cynnig gwneud Gorchymyn a fydd yn gwaredu'r mannau parcio i bobl anabl yn y lleoliadau a nodir yn Atodlenni 1 a 2 a gosod mannau parcio i bobl anabl yn y lleoliadau a nodir yn Atodlen 3 isod.
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Windsor Road, Penarth (164) AH63
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Penderfyniad arfaethedig i ddileu'r Man Parcio i Bobl Anabl presennol gan greu man Aros Cyfyngedig, dydd Llun i ddydd Sadwrn, 8am tan 6pm, 2 awr dim dychwelyd o fewn 2 awr, ac eithrio Deiliaid Trwydded i Breswylwyr
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Newlands Street, y Barri (39) AV52
Ar ochr y gogledd-ddwyrain o'r ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 39 a 40 tua'r gorllewin am 6 metr.

ATODLEN 3

Mannau Parcio Arfaethedig i Bobl Anabl
Jenner Road, y Barri (65) AW50
Ar ochr y de-ddwyrain, o'r ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 63 a 65 tua'r de-orllewin am 6 metr.
Maes y Cwm Street, y Barri (59) AU52
Ar ochr y de-orllewin, o'r ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 59 a 61, tua'r de-orllewin am 5.3 metr.
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Palmerston Road, y Barri (15) AT55
Ar ochr y gorllewin, o'r ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 13 a 15 tua'r gogledd am 5 metr.
Pardoe Crescent, y Barri (28) AU51
Ar ochr y gogledd-orllewin o bwynt 5 metr i'r de-orllewin o'r ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 26 a 28 tua'r de-orllewin am 3.6 metr.
Porthkerry Road, y Barri (30) AX49
Ar ochr y de-ddwyrain, o'r ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 30 a 32 tua'r de-orllewin am 6.2 metr.
Tydfil Street, y Barri (7) AU53
Ar ochr y de-orllewin, o'r ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 7 a 9 tua'r de-ddwyrain am 6.6 metr.
Grove Place, Penarth (23) AK64
Ar ochr y de-ddwyrain, o'r ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 21 a 23 tua'r gogledd-ddwyrain am 5.5 metr.
Paget Road, Penarth (31) Al64
Ar ochr y de-ddwyrain, o'r ffin rhwng rhifau eiddo 31 a 32 tua'r gogledd-ddwyrain am 6.6 metr.

Dyddiedig 23 Ionawr 2020
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THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF WAITING AND LOADING AND PARKING PLACES) (CIVIL ENFORCEMENT) (AMENDMENT) (NO 8) ORDER 2019

1. On the 20th January 2020 The Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and the Traffic Management Act 2004 and all other enabling powers made an Order to remove the disabled persons parking places at the locations specified in Schedules 1 and 2 and install disabled persons parking places at the locations specified in Schedule 3 below.
2. The Order will come into operation on 27th January 2020 or on the dates that the signs and road markings are removed or installed whichever is the later and be known as the "Vale of Glamorgan Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement) (Amendment) (No 8) Order 2019"
3. A copy of the Order and plans showing the affected areas may be seen at the address shown below during normal office hours.
4. If you wish to question the validity of the Order or any provisions contained therein on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the above Act or on the grounds that any requirement of the same or that any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may within six weeks from the 27th January 2020 apply to the High Court for this purpose.

The following Traffic Regulation Order is to be amended as follows:
Vale of Glamorgan Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Civil Enforcement) Order 2013

SCHEDULE 1

Proposed Removal of Disabled Persons Parking Places
Jenner Road, Barry (67) AW50
On the south east side from the common boundary of property numbers 65 and 67 in a south westerly direction for a distance of 6.6 metres.
Wenvoe Terrace, Barry (37) AW50
On the north west side from the common boundary of property numbers 36 and 37 in a north easterly direction for a distance of 6.2 metres.
Windsor Road, Penarth (164) AH63
On the south west side from a point 39 metres south east from the junction with Andrew Road in a south easterly direction for a distance of 5 metres.

SCHEDULE 2

Proposed revocation of the existing Disabled Persons Parking Place and replace with Limited Waiting Monday to Saturday 8am until 6pm 2 hours no return within 2 hours except Resident Permit Holders
Lower Morel Street, Barry (13) AV53
On the south west side from the common boundary of property numbers 13 and 15 in a south easterly direction for a distance of 5.1 metres.
Newlands Street, Barry (39) AV52
On the north east side from the common boundary of property numbers 39 and 40 in a north westerly direction for a distance of 6 metres.

SCHEDULE 3

Proposed Disabled Persons Parking Places
Jenner Road, Barry (65) AW50
On the south east side from the common boundary of property numbers 63 and 65 in a south westerly direction for a distance of 6 metres.
Maes y Cwm Street, Barry (59) AU52
On the north west side from the common boundary of property numbers 59 and 61 in a south westerly direction for a distance of 5.3 metres.
Oxford Street, Barry (Coedceri) AY48
On the north west side from the common boundary of properties Coedceri and Llanwendy in a north easterly direction for a distance of 6 metres.
Palmerston Road, Barry (15) AT55
On the west side from the common boundary of property numbers 13 and 15 in a northerly direction for a distance of 5 metres.
Pardoe Crescent, Barry (28) AU51
On the north west from a point 5 metres south west of the common boundary of property numbers 26 and 28 in a south westerly direction for a distance of 3.6 metres.
Porthkerry Road, Barry (30) AX49
On the south east side from the common boundary of property numbers 30 and 32 in a south westerly direction for a distance of 6.2 metres.
Tydfil Street, Barry (7) AU53
On the south west side from the common boundary of property numbers 7 and 9 in a
south easterly direction for a distance of 6.6 metres.
Grove Place, Penarth (23) AK64
On the south east side from the common boundary of property numbers 21 and 23 in a north easterly direction for a distance of 5.5 metres.
Paget Road, Penarth (31) Al64
On the south east side from the common boundary of property numbers 31 and 32 in a north easterly direction for a distance of 6.6 metres.

Dated this 23rd day of January 2020
Director of Environment & Housing
Vale of Glamorgan Council, Alps Depot,
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Help prevent the spread of 'flu' this winter

WITH influenza now circulating in Wales, parents are being urged to make sure their children are protected as figures show 38,185 young people aged two or three have yet to get their 'flu' vaccine this winter.

Children are vulnerable to flu and its complications, and those who were aged two or three on August 31, 2019 are eligible to get their annual nasal spray flu vaccine free.

Dr Richard Roberts, head of the Vaccine Preventable Disease programme at Public Health Wales said: "Children are 'super-spreaders', so protecting them helps protect those around them too. If your child was aged two or three on August 31, 2019 and they haven't had their vaccine yet, speak to your GP today as it's not too late to get them protected."

There have been 1,350 confirmed cases of flu since October 1, 2019; 98% of these cases have been Influenza A and the other 2% Influenza B Confirmed cases represent a very small proportion of the total cases in the community, as flu affects around one in 10 of the population each year. Flu spreads via droplets sprayed into the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes. Direct contact with contaminated hands or surfaces can also spread infection rapidly.

Dr Roberts added: "Children are 'super-spreaders, so people with flu tend to become ill quite quickly and symptoms can include fever, chills, headaches and aching muscles, often with a cough and sore throat. If you think you have flu, drink plenty of fluids, take paracetamol or ibuprofen and avoid contact with vulnerable individuals while you are unwell. Most people do not need to visit their GP surgery, but if you are in a risk group and think you have flu, you should talk to your GP or community pharmacist as soon as possible.

"It's also important to reduce the risk of spreading flu, so always:

"**Catch it** – catch your sneeze in a tissue;

"**Bin it** – put your tissue straight in the bin;

"**Kill it** – clean your hands as soon as possible.

"Make sure you clean hard surfaces regularly and avoid contact with others while you are unwell, especially if they are in a high-risk group. If you feel unwell or have flu-like symptoms, please do not visit healthcare facilities. Some people are more vulnerable to infection – don't put their health at risk. If you think you might have flu check your symptoms using the NHS Direct Wales symptom checker and to find out who is eligible for a free flu vaccine visit www.beatflu.org.

Aberavon Quins fight back against Porthcawl

LEFT: Leon McNally is on the charge for Porthcawl. RIGHT: Porthcawl's Kyle Galtry makes a tackle. (Photographs by Tracey Williams).

MAKE no mistake, this was a clash of huge relevance with so much resting on the result, as Porthcawl were at home to Aberavon Quins.

In the end, it was the Quins who prevailed, derailing the Seaweeds' slender 9-6 lead going into the final five minutes of the match after a titanic clash worthy of the top of the division.

As to be expected, the clash of two good packs, with the visitors holding a slight weight advantage, together with two back divisions intent on playing rugby, made for a nail-biting encounter.

As the match progressed, it was an expectedly tight affair with the visitors showing their intent but coming up against Porthcawl's vaunted miserly defence.

The first half actually saw Porthcawl edge it on balance. However, it was Quins who went into the lead with a penalty after 32 minutes.

Skipper Leon MacNally is having a good season and it was his fine line-out catch and the subsequent drive that set up the position for Josh White to level at 3-3 with a 22-metre penalty.

With both sides unrelenting in their efforts to put points on the board, the Quins had the better of it just before the break as they mounted drive after drive, only for the Seaweeds' rock-like defence to keep them at bay as the whistle sounded to end an engaging half.

The home side needed to start the second spell well and slowly but surely, Porthcawl began to build pressure with some useful possession and the Quins were struggling to leave their own half, as White's boot kept sending them back deep into their own territory.

This paid off as from 42 metres out, White struck a superb penalty as the Quins indiscipline yielded a chance to take the lead by 6-3, and minutes later White's third successful penalty made it 9-3, with the pendulum, at least for now, swinging Porthcawl's way.

With centre Sean Wilcox proving a hard running thorn in the Quins' side, often taking three tacklers to stop him moving, it seemed that Porthcawl would continue to drain the effort from the visitors, but going into the closing stages of the match, it turned when a penalty downfield pushed the Seaweeds back into their own territory, with the lineout then preceding a scrum deep in Porthcawl's 22.

A high tackle by the home side in desperate defence, allowed the Quins the chance to reduce the margin to just three with a penalty for 9-6 and a frenetic finish was now the only game in town.

Another lineout for the Quins as they pressed hard close to Porthcawl's 22 was stolen by flanker Louis Protheroe, a feat he performed for Porthcawl through the afternoon to frustrate the Quins but then the match changed as White received a yellow card for a transgression and this seemed to spur the opposition.

A scrum deep in the home 22 saw the Quins get the pressure on and as it collapsed the referee blew for a penalty try to Quins, the seven points turning the score round at 9-13 with just minutes remaining.

It was now all Porthcawl as they piled on wave after wave of attack, with centre Gareth Rees almost breaking the tackle for what would have been the crucial score, only to be halted short.

Porthcawl remain in third spot and will want to get back to winning ways with a visit to meet Bridgend Sports at the Bandstand Field on Saturday.

Report by Paul Fielding

Playing tennis beats the gym when it comes to your long-term health

PLAYING tennis could beat going to the gym when it comes to warding-off muscle and bone problems later in life, according to a groundbreaking new study.

So-called 'Musculoskeletal' problems are a major issue in the UK, with 1 in 4 of the adult population affected.

They include issues like joint pain from osteoarthritis, bones weakened by osteoporosis as well as the muscle-wasting condition sarcopenia.

But now a new study by experts at Liverpool Hope University say there could be a simple method of preventing musculoskeletal conditions, particularly among those aged 50 and over - and that's playing tennis.

Sports and Exercise scientist Dr Matthew Jackson compared two healthy groups - one who played tennis regularly and another who got their NHS-recommended 150 minutes of exercise per week through activities like running, cycling and going to the gym.

And Dr Jackson, an exercise physiologist, says the tennis players enjoyed 'significantly greater' musculoskeletal health compared with the regular 'keep fit' group.

He writes: "The findings suggest tennis is an excellent activity mode to promote musculoskeletal health and should therefore be more frequently recommended as a viable alternative to existing physical activity guidelines."

According to the NHS, around 9.6 million adults and 12,000 children in the UK suffer from one of the many musculoskeletal issues.

It's also a huge drain on the NHS, accounting for almost a third - 30 per cent - of all GP consultations.

But Dr Jackson says a simple change of sport could alter the landscape of musculoskeletal health in Britain.

The study, just published in the journal Sports Health, involved 90 participants - 43 tennis players and 47 regular exercisers - aged between 18 and 65.

Their 'musculoskeletal function' was measured through a series of tests that analysed body composition, upper body strength, lower body strength and muscle fatigue.

It also analysed aerobic endurance and cardiovascular fitness through 'VO2 max' oxygen uptake.

And the tennis players not only enjoyed a more favourable BMI when compared with the gym-goers - they also displayed better upper body and lower extremity function than those not used to holding a racket.

Dr Jackson, based at Liverpool Hope University's state-of-the-art School of Health Sciences, says there's something unique about tennis that makes it so beneficial.

He explains: "As we age, we lose muscle mass and we lose bone mineral density over time. It happens to all of us.

"But when you reach 50 years old, the process accelerates much quicker and we need to target and advise this demographic about the dangers.

"Lots of people are active in their younger years but by the time they reach their 40s, they're giving up and often go a decade or so without doing anything.

"And we want to get people in those age groups as active as possible to avoid things like osteoarthritis, osteoporosis and sarcopenia - as being inactive is likely to make you obese, which can exacerbate the symptoms of all three.

"Tennis is great as an all-round sport. It targets the cardiovascular system but also improves your muscle mass and you bone mineral density because it's a weight-bearing sport that incorporates aspects of power and strength.

"Equally important is the social aspect of playing tennis - and if you enjoy it, you're more likely to keep doing it."

Dr Jackson says muscle-wasting sarcopenia can be particularly debilitating, as patients lose the strength to perform their normal daily routine, activities like doing the weekly shop - and even bathing can become difficult.

But he says it is reversible - giving hope to many sufferers.

He says: "There's an assumption that you can't do anything with those suffering severe muscle loss in their later years. But sarcopenia is reversible.

"Older people are often wrapped in cotton wool but they're actually capable of doing much more than you'd think in terms of exercise."

The participants in the study all underwent testing at the School of Health Sciences laboratories at Liverpool Hope University over the course of around two-and-a-half hours.

Tests including things like handgrip strength - as a measure of overall upper body function - knee flex and extension ability, as well as running on a treadmill.

And after what's known as 'cluster analysis', tennis players outscored the general keep-fit group when it comes to 'upper extremity' and 'lower body' function, as well as having a lower BMI.

Dr Jackson adds: "There's a common misconception that tennis is for rich people. But it's really not expensive to be a member of your local tennis club.

"And, as a University, we're engaging with the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) to get more facilities opened to the public for free.

"It's also important to note that the actual time spent exercising between the two study groups didn't differ significantly.

"But tennis is something you're likely to play for a little longer, with all the associated health gains."

Latest from Barry and District Clubs League

CRIB Division 1: Cadoxton Cons 8, Moors Boys 7; Wyndham Cons 7, Romilly Railway 8; West End 5, Liberals 10.

League points: Romilly Railway 101, Liberals 98, West End 98, Moors Boys 96, Rhoose Social 96, Cadoxton Cons 94, Wyndham Cons 92.

Skittles Division 1: Slammers 6, Liberals A 1; Liberals C 1, King William XII 6; Rhoose Social C 7, Barry Town Fc 0; Rugby Club 2, Barries Boys 5; West End D 6.5,Sea View Exiles 0.5; Rhoose Social A 1.5, Rhoosters 5.5; Cambrian Flyers 1.5, Allsorts 5.5; West End C 3, Rhoose Social B 4.

League points: West End D 73.0, Sea View Exiles 71.5, Rhoose Social C 70.5, King William XII 60.0, Rugby Club 59.5, Allsorts 57.5, Rhoose Social A 52.5, Barry Town Fc 51.5, Liberals C 49.0, Barries Boys 48.5, West End C 48.0, Slammers 46.5, Rhoosters 43.0, Rhoose Social B 38.5, Cambrian Flyers 32.5, Liberals A 31.0.

Snooker division 1: Harbour B 2, West End C 3; Penarth Cons B 2, Wyndham Cons A 3; Rhoose Social C 2, Cadoxton Cons B 3; Penarth Cons A 3, Liberators 2; Cadoxton Cons Z 3, Savoy B 2.

League points: West End C 54, Harbour B 47, Savoy B 44, Cadoxton Cons B 39, Cadoxton Cons Z 39, Penarth Cons A 39, Wyndham Cons A 36, Rhoose Social C 26, Penarth Cons B 20, Rhoose Social B 18, *Liberators 13.

Snooker Division 2: Sully Sports A 2, Savoy C 3; Market Street B 3, Market Street A 2; West End A 2, Services Social B 3; Harbour A 1, Market Street C 4; West End B 1, Wyndham Cons D 4.

League points: Market Street C 46, Market Street A 43, Savoy C 41, Market Street B 40, Services Social B 39, West End A 35, Wyndham Cons D 34, Harbour A 32, Cadoxton Cons A 27, Sully Sports A 27, West End B 26. * points deducted.

View all results and league tables at www.barryleagues.co.uk.

JW

Tony Yates takes Skoda's Kamiq SE out for a spin

THE Skoda Kamiq SE 1.0 litre TSI was the subject of this week's motoring review, and here's what Tony Yates has to say about its performance:

Tony Yates put the Skoda Kamiq SE – 1.0 TSi 95PS through its paces recently.

Power and efficiency

MY test car was fitted with a 95PS 1.0-litre TSi petrol engine. Its performance is not mind-blowing, if I'm being honest, but it's still fun.

Right now you are thinking 'how on earth can a 1.0-litre engine move a vehicle of this size and turn any sort of speed? Well, firstly, that 1.0-litre engine does actually have a decent powerband which will propel it to a 0-62 time of around 11.1 seconds and a combined fuel consumption figure that will easily reach 44 mpg, if not a little higher. If you really are interested, the Kamiq will reach a top speed of around 112mph. It's not a sports car, but it's still pretty nippy for a 1.0-litre.

On the road

I'M very impressed by how the Kamiq dealt with the lumps and bumps on our roads.

Plus, into the corners, it also felt very controlled and steady – even when pushed to its limits. There were also no nasty surprises and nothing unexpected happened.

I want to talk about its exciting chassis – but I doubt you will care – as long as you feel safe and it's a lovely ride. I'm happy to report it's all of those things all rolled up into one perfect package. You can read all the glossy magazines you want – but the proof is when you get your new car out on the open road with three children and a boot full of bags. Only after many hours of driving will you understand the difference between a car that's good and one that's pretty epic.

Safety and technology

ON the inside, the new Kamiq looks great and Skoda has done a lovely job of making it appealing, plus the Kamiq stands out, thanks to a nicely trimmed cabin which feels well put together.

Rear legroom is also massive, thanks to the excellent rear seat configuration. The Kamiq will easily accommodate five people or a large family with ease and as many suitcases and bags as you can cram in.

The level of standard equipment on the SE version I tested had: automatic dimming rear view mirror, Bolero radio with 8" touchscreen display, cruise control, eight audio speakers, front assist, hill hold control, lane assist, LED headlights, light and rain sensors, rear parking sensors, side airbags in front with curtain airbags and Smartlink, plus lots more technology and a whole raft of safety features to keep you protected while out on the open road.

In summary

THE Kamiq is perfect for anyone looking for a family vehicle that looks exceptional, has many safety features and some very clever technology. Price: £23,295 (as tested) including options.

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A thrilling draw as Tondu Youth take on Lougher

Tondu Youth – Ifan Hunnam races away to score.

TONDU Youth went into this weekend with confidence having won their past two games against Kenfig Hill and Gowerton, but the Wheelers knew Loughor would be a tough test.

There was a positive start for Tondu as Ioan Billingham scored off the back of a driving maul, converted by Morgan Williams. Loughor responded and crashed over to make the score 7-5.

For Tondu, Lewis Hawkins was the next scorer, making it 12-5 and then Tom Painter carried well before releasing Morgan Boobyer, who offloaded to Ifan Hunnam who raced away to score. The try was converted by Morgan Williams, and it was 19-5 to Tondu.

Loughor were determined to stay in the game and they scored the first points of the second half, a converted try, making it 19-12 to Tondu. The game went back and forth as both teams showed resilience, but Luke Smith was given some space on the wing and he dotted down in the corner to make it 24-12 to Tondu. Tondu then had two disallowed tries, which were to prove costly: they were forced to defend for the last 10 minutes before Lewis Hawkins was given a yellow card, and a few moments later Loughor scored. The game ended 24-24.

Close, but Tondu let chances slip in last 10 minutes

Tacklers double up on Matthew Davies (left) while Josh Tatchell sets up an attack, right. Photos by Gareth Anthony.

THERE was a bright start for Tondu in this decisive bottom of the table clash away at Brynamman, with crisp handling from the backs sending wing James Leopard over in the corner for an early try.

The home side responded though, with a splendid try of their own from No 8 Matthew Llewellyn 10 minutes later.

There was then a period of end to end rugby with both sides guilty of handling errors that meant the scoreboard stayed static until Rhys Williams slotted a late penalty for the home side to give them narrowest of half time leads.

Tondu levelled things early in the second period with a penalty by Josh Tatchell after a high tackle on scrum half Geraint Gillett.

Again, both sides had their chances to put a stranglehold on the game but the finishing was poor. However, midway through the second half a lineout near the Brynamman line saw the visitors take the ball on and then unleash their back line with devastating results allowing centre Matthew Davies to crash over for a splendid try, converted by Tatchell. The home side came back, knowing that defeat to leave them bottom of the table, and their pressure paid off when full back Liam Smith went on a solo run from outside the 22 to score wide out.

It was a great effort but Tondu would have been disappointed with the missed tackles that allowed Smith to reach the line. Craig Jones slotted the conversion and we were again level at 15–all.

Now it was all to play for and evident that one score could be enough to clinch the valuable win as the game moved into the final 10 minutes.

It was the home side that got the breakthrough after being awarded a penalty in front of the posts, which Jones slotted with ease.

But even then Tondu had the chance to take something from the game, Tatchell hit the post with a penalty that he would normally consider bread and butter and a dropped pass with the line beckoning took us to the final whistle, and a disappointing end to a game that Tondu could have and should have won. They stay bottom of the table with back to back games against Glynneath to look forward to, starting with another away trip next Saturday. Tondu Seconds went down 26-17 at Ammanford, tries coming from Dan Thomas, Tom Harris and a try and conversion from Tom Vancleaner

Report by Mike Sully

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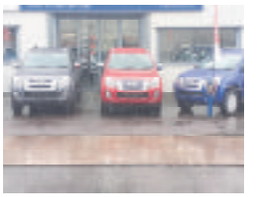

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Barrivale Bridge Club – the last fortnight's results

THE results for Barrivale Bridge Club on Tuesday, January 7 are as follows:

First, Mike Close and Mick Green 61.25 per cent; second, Denis Mottram and Noelle Bond 58.75; Peter Millar and Dave Thomas 57.92.

The handicap winners were Alan Rees and Richards.

Results from play on January 14:

First, Peter Millar and Adrian Trickey, 67.92%; second, Mark Roderick and Mick Green, 64.17; third, Mike Close and Mia Deschepper, 57.82%.

The handicap winners were Hilary Laurence and Vivien Liles.

New members are welcomed and a partner may be arranged, if required. Call 01446 418380, 01446 733425, 01446 735592 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl Road, Barry at 7pm on Tuesday evening.

The following are also available for beginners and improvers:

• Classes and assisted play at the Pioneer Hall Friday mornings, 10am – 12.30pm. (Doors open at 9.45am).

• Assisted play Thursday afternoons, 1.30pm – 4pm at the Barry Uniting Church, Heol y Llongau, Barry, CF63 4AP. **LH**

Barry and District Men's Skittles League round up

THE latest results from the Barry and District Men's Skittles League are as follows:

Division 1: Blue Monkey 272 (M Underdown 28), Billy Whizz 265 (S Coombs 27); Cavaliers 272 (M Treweek 29), Merrymen 288 (A Pearce 30); Sea View 345 (A Elston 39), Park Lads 312 (M Whyman Jnr 31); Willie Wombles 296 (J Parsons 33), Posties 285 (Morg Marks 28); British Rail 277 (L John 31), Bunker Boys 293 (C Jennings 30); 49ers 287 (R Bolt, B Hopkins 29), Geest 292 (P Hunt 30).

League points: Merrymen 22, 49ers 20, Blue Monkey 14, Billy Whizz 14, Willie Wombles 14, Cavaliers 14, Bunker Boys 9, Park Lads 9, Sea View 8, Posties 6, British Rail 6, Geest 6.

Division 2: Barry Park B 259 (A Chick 26), Cannon Balls 256 (D Pike 27); Hairy Lemons 278 (J Birch 27), Tynny Lads 259 (D Sluman 33); Colcot Boys 266 (T Sherrin 27), Park Rangers 269 (S James, T Power 27); KP Rejects 328 (J Barrett 34), H Bells 344 (T Cole, B Crockford 35); Witchill Poachers 353 (R Ashby 34), Castle Boys 353 (M Bond 37); Exiles 265 (E Collins 30), Mighty Dockers 270 (K Enticott 29).

League points: Cannon Balls 18, Mighty Dockers 18, H Bells 16, Tynny Lads 16, KP Rejects 14, Hairy Lemons 11, Park Rangers 11, Barry Park B 1, Colcot Boys 10, Witchill Poachers 9, Castle Boys 6, Exiles 2.

Division 3: Abercrete 257 (J Newton 28), Billy Flyers 267 (S Taylor, N Spear, D Everitt 26); Billy Bluebirds 253 (C Prangley, G Norris 26), Alternatives 268 (M Davies 27); Ex Servicemen 230 (A Kemp, R Williams, D Kuhnell 23), Cocoa Nuts 254 (S Evans 27); CUD 226 (B Williams 25), BP Breakaways 263 (P Gardner 29).

League points: Alternatives 16, Billy Bluebirds 14, Cocoa Nuts 12, Billy Flyers 12, Royalists 12, BP Breakaways 10, Ex Servicemen 10, Witchill Nomads 5, CUD 3, Abercrete 2.

View all results and league tables at www.barryleagues.co.uk.

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Barry Chess Club news

WITH matches being played in Divisions 2 and 4, Barry Chess Club has now reached the halfway point in the league season.

The Camelots travelled to Caerphilly to play the Castles. The Camelots started the season well, winning their first four matches, then drawing two. They lost their seventh match against the league leaders, Pontypridd Barbarians, but needed to return to winning ways against a team with lower rated players. Dave Turner was the only Barry winner on the night. Matthew Davies and Dave Parsons both took draws giving the Caerphilly team a 3-2 victory.

The Camelots drop to third place in the table. Fortunately, Barry has a four-point advantage over the Castles but the North Cardiff Panthers cannot be overlooked as they have a match in hand. If Barry doesn't get back to winning ways soon, their promotion hopes may evaporate.

In division 4, the Stauntons made the short trip to Penarth to play the Piers. For the Stauntons, Sian Balchin took her first victory of the season. On board 4, Dave Mahoney also took victory. The best performance of the day hoever came from Erion Pici, earning a draw against a much higher ranked player. There was also a draw for Ieuan Thomas giving the Stauntons their second victory in succession by a score of 3-2. Barry remain in eighth place but are catching up to the teams above them.

The Barry Chess Club meets at 7.30pm most Mondays at the West End Club, St Nicholas Road, Barry, CF62 6QY. The club is open to players of all standards, whether interested in playing competitive chess or just the occasional friendly game.

New players are welcome to turn up on the night, but it is better to contact one of the club members through the website and arrange for someone to greet you on your arrival. For more details, visit barrychessclub.yolasite.com.

PJ

Brynhill Golf Club members cope with winter frost and bright sunshine

THE beautiful sunshine tempted the hackerati back onto the Brynhill Course for the 10th inter-competition of the season.

With shaded areas staying frozen, freakish bounces were the order of the day.

There were no problems for Dave Johnson though, as he carded an impressive 41 points, four better than Scott Nelson, with Mike Reddi claiming third spot with 36.

Handicap reductions are temporary over the winter but Johnson's 41 (over 16 holes) has caused Slasher Giles to stir in his lair and a repeat by Dave is likely to result in a permanent reduction from the perpetually grumpy handicap secretary.

AS

Pencoed shaded in Second XV top-of-table match

PENCOED and Nantyffyllon second teams observed a minute's silence prior to kick off in memory of former Pencoed RFC club captain, Gareth Jones, a youth coach, Welsh Youth Cap and Cardiff RFC wing forward who played with distinction for the aforementioned teams.

This top of the Mid Glamorgan league match did not disappoint, both teams playing with intensity throughout.

Pencoed dominated the opening quarter, but despite several scoring chances, the Nantyffyllon try line remained intact.

As the half progressed the Llynfi Valley side came more and more into the game and got a foothold in the home 22 for the first time in the match. Sustained pressure saw centre Evan Price cross at the posts, Drew Price adding the extras.

'Nanty ' were now pressing hard and good combined play saw the supporting Daniel Isherwood go over and the visitors led 0-12, the home side perhaps a little unlucky to trail at the interval.

Pencoed started the second half strongly and got their reward, hooker Joe Daniel crossing in determined manner, Tom Cross converting.

There was very little between the sides as they battled for supremacy. However, the Pencoed task was made a little more difficult when picking up a second yellow card of the match.

Pencoed then introduced their replacements with Dewi Jury, despite his protestations over his good looks, taking up the unfamiliar position of prop forward! Fellow replacement Gareth Dyer was held up just short at the posts and despite the home side's best efforts, they had to settle for a losing bonus point.

Currently both clubs are joint league leaders on 26 points with identical playing records having played eight, won five and lost three. It all makes for a most interesting second half of the season .

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Bridgend Quiz League

THE results from the Bridgend Quiz League for January 20 are as follows:

Division 1: Oldcastle A 46, Crown Maesteg 36; TyRisha Royals 45, Mackworth Arms 43; Laleston Inn A 45, Chatterton Shunters 44; Tondu Railway Club 50, Penybont AFC Nomads 50.

Division 2: Cabo Roche 53, Tondu Railway Locos 31; Pheasant Gamekeepers 47, Oldcastle B 41; Prince of Wales Rebels 52, Laleston Inn B 47; Six Bells Clangers 52, Pheasant Pluckers 52.

Test your general knowledge with these teasers from the Quiz League:

1. What are the young of alpacas and llamas called?

2. In which sport did Shirley Muldowney become the first female champion in 1977?

3. Who sang 'One Step Out Of Time' for the UK in the 1992 Eurovision Song Contest?

Answers: 1. Cria; 2. Drag racing; 3. Michael Ball.

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17 67 BMW 320 D M Sport Shadow Edition 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, harman kardon, heated seats, blue, full leather **£16295**

15 65 BMW 335 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic, sat nav, through load, 38k, silver, full leather **£16995**

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16 67 BMW 530e M Sport 4dr Auto, BMW warranty Jan 2021, apple car play, 19"alloys, nav, wireless charger, 25k, black, full ivory leather **£23995**

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15 65 BMW X1 2.0 D XDrive X-Line 5dr Automatic (190bhp), sat nav, 18"alloys, 32k, bronze, full leather **£16795**

16 68 BMW X2 sDrive 20i M Sport 5dr Step Auto, BMW warranty Jan 2022, 19"alloys, sat nav, privacy glass, 5k, black. **£23995**

15 65 BMW X5 3.0 D XDrive M Sport 5dr Automatic (7-Seater), 20"alloys, sat nav, reverse camera, carbon black, full leather **£26495**

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17 67 LEXUS IS300h Advance 4dr CVT Automatic, sat nav, reverse camera, 17"alloys, cruise, grey, full leather **£17495**

18 68 MAZDA 3 2.2 D SPORT Nav 5dr, Mazda warranty Sept 2021, sat nav, headup display, reverse camera, black, full leather… **£14995**

16 16 MAZDA CX-3 1.5 D Sport 5dr, sat nav, reverse camera, bose, 26k, silver, full leather **£12995**

16 66 MERCEDES A180 D AMG Line 5dr, xenons, cruise, 18"alloys, grey **£12995**

18 68 MERCEDES A180 D AMG Line 5dr Automatic, Mercedes warranty Oct 2021, sat nav, reverse camera, dab, 15k, choice, half-leather **£19795**

16 66 MERCEDES CLA200 D Sport 4dr, cruise, Bluetooth, aux, usb, 28k, red **£15495**

18 68 MERCEDES C200 AMG Line Premium 5dr Estate 9G-Tronic Automatic, Mercedes warranty Oct 2021, sat nav, reverse camera, dab, usb, 8k, choice, half-leather **£22995**

19 19 MERCEDES C300 D AMG Line Premium 2dr Coupe 9G-Tronic Automatic, Mercedes warranty April 2022, sat nav, reverse camera, 1k, choice with half-leather **£28995**

16 66 MERCEDES C300 AMG Line 2dr Convertible Automatic, sat nav, reverse camera, 18"alloys, 27k, blue, full leather **£21495**

17 67 MERCEDES E200 D SE 4dr 9G-Tronic Automatic, Mercedes warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, 17k, choice, full leather **£19995**

17 17 MERCEDES E220 D AMG Line 4dr 9G-Tronic Automatic, Mercedes warranty Aug 2020, widescreen sat nav, ambient lighting, heated seats, xenons, 20k, choice **£19795**

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18 18 MERCEDES E220 D AMG Line 2dr Convertible Automatic, Mercedes warranty April 2021, sat nav, 20"alloys, reverse camera, 9k, black **£26995**

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17 67 NISSAN QASHQAI 1.5 DCI Acenta 5dr, Nissan warranty Oct 2020, cruise, Bluetooth, aux, usb, 14k, blue **£12495**

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17 67 NISSAN X-TRAIL 1.6 DCI Acenta 5dr Xtronic Automatic (7-Seater), Nissan warranty Oct 2020, pan roof, cruise, 9k, blue **£14995**

16 66 PEUGEOT 208 1.6 BlueHDI Active 5dr, air-con, Bluetooth, dab, grey **£6495**

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17 66 RENAULT CAPTUR 0.9 TCE 90 Dynamique S 5dr, Renault warranty Feb 2021, sat nav, pdc, privacy glass, 19k, black **£9495**

17 67 RENAULT KADJAR 1.2 TCE Dynamique Nav 5dr, Renault warranty Nov 2021, sat nav, cruise, Bluetooth, dab, 15k, white **£11795**

16 66 RENAULT KADJAR 1.5 DCI Dynamique Nav 5dr, cruise, Bluetooth, dab, 14k, gold **£10495**

15 65 RENAULT MEGANE 1.5 DCI GT Line Nav 5dr, sat nav, 18"alloys, Bluetooth, 42k, red, half-leather **£7995**

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16 66 LEXUS CT 200h 1.8 Sport 5dr CVT Automatic, pan roof, sat nav, grey, half leather

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17 67 MITSUBISHI ASX 1.6 3 5dr, Mitsubishi warranty Dec 2020, reverse camera, heated seats, 11k, white

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18 68 KIA CEED 1.4 T GDI ISG Blue Edition 5dr, Kia warranty Dec 2025, sat nav, reverse camera, 8k, blue

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18 18 AUDI A3 1.4 TFSI e-tron 5dr S Tronic, Audi warranty April 2021, sat nav, heated seats, black, half leather/lcantara

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17 66 ABARTH 595 1.4 T-Jet 145 3dr, air-con, dab, sat nav, 27k, yellow

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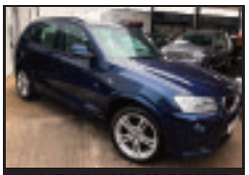

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Charity competition offers cash prize for all you Six Nations rugby experts

FOR the sixth year, Cowbridge Rotary Club is running its popular competition based on your skill at predicting the results of the 2020 Guinness Six Nations rugby matches in February and March.

The Rotary club is very grateful to The Glamorgan GEM for supporting this charity project by publicising the competition, printing the entry form and providing a collection point for entries.

The entry form is also a handy list of dates and times for all the matches.

Entry is only £1 with a £100 prize for the best overall prediction of the results of all 15 matches (home win, away win or draw).

The surplus will be allocated to the charity account of Cowbridge Rotary Club.

Anyone can enter wherever they live, and as many times as they wish.

Additional forms can be obtained by:

Collection from The GEM Offices, Eastgate, Cowbridge or reception at the Bear Hotel.

To request an entry form, email cowbridge.rotary@yahoo.co.uk

Entry forms together with £1 entry fee should be delivered either to the Bear Hotel reception or Cowbridge GEM offices, Eastgate and must arrive by kick-off on February 1.

Cowbridge Rotary Club delivers a number of services to the local community, including: Support to Dementia Friendly Cowbridge; assistance with transport; school reading; Stroke Awareness Day; youth competitions; monthly entertainment at Longmeadow Court, Cowbridge.

The club's charity funds are used in many ways, including donations to major national charities including Worldwide Polio eradication; survival boxes to international disasters; water supply to four schools in Uganda and Cowbridge's own Gateway Monday Club

This year's president's charities are:

• Hafal – A Welsh mental health charity supporting those affected by serious mental illness in Wales.

• Amelia Trust Farm: An educative countryside sanctuary for all to enjoy and which supports disadvantaged and vulnerable people.

If you would like to know more about the work of Cowbridge Rotary Club or are interested in joining, please contact the membership chairman, Steve Pearce on 01446 772178.

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Date	KO GMT	Home		Away	
1st February	2.15 pm	Wales	v	Italy	Draw
1st February	4.45 pm	Ireland	v	Scotland	Draw
2nd February	3.00 pm	France	v	England	Draw
8th February	2.15 pm	Ireland	v	Wales	Draw
8th February	4.45 pm	Scotland	v	England	Draw
9th February	3.00 pm	France	v	Italy	Draw
22nd February	2.15 pm	Italy	v	Scotland	Draw
22nd February	4.45 pm	Wales	v	France	Draw
23rd February	3.00 pm	England	v	Ireland	Draw
7th March	2.15 pm	Ireland	v	Italy	Draw
7th March	4.45 pm	England	v	Wales	Draw
8th March	3.00 pm	Scotland	v	France	Draw
14th March	2.15 pm	Wales	v	Scotland	Draw
14th March	4.45 pm	Italy	v	England	Draw
14th March	8.00 pm	France	v	Ireland	Draw

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DON'T FORGET TO KEEP A COPY OF YOUR ENTRY

A good start to the season in the new division for Bridgend Ath Youth

THE newly promoted Ath Youth started the second half of their season, now in Ospreys Div B, with a hard earned 10–8 win against a very strong Kenfig Hill Youth team at Newbridge Fields.

The game started at a cracking pace with both teams trying to run the ball at each other at every opportunity. Kenfig Hill were first to score when their wing broke through just inside the Ath 10-metre line, powering his way forward and drawing fullback Callum Reed before offloading to a team mate to score in the corner, the conversion missed.

This spurred the Ath on who looked to attack at every opportunity. However, the streetwise Kenfig Hill forwards constantly managed to slow the ball down at rucks, preventing the Ath from playing their natural game. Scrum half Josh Tidy was getting extremely frustrated as their pack were being allowed to drag him into rucks, which meant the Ath backs were living off scraps of possession.

However, every time the Ath had possession they looked extremely dangerous. From a ruck 30 metres out, quick hands by outside half Joe Watts saw him feed Callum Reed who, in turn fed winger Rhys Hyde. Hyde still had plenty to do but used his pace and strength to crash over for a well-deserved try in the corner. The conversion was narrowly missed by Watts.

The Ath continued to pile on the pressure with their driving lineout causing Kenfig Hill no end of problems. The Ath were frustratingly, twice dragged down just short of the line, preventing certain tries.

Back came Kenfig Hill, aided by a massive penalty count against the Ath, who were mystified by some decisions. One such penalty awarded in front of the posts saw the Kenfig Hill full back slot home a penalty for a half time lead to Kenfig Hill of 8–5.

The second half saw the Ath make numerous changes, but they continued with the same momentum and looked to attack from everywhere. A quick pass from centre Tom Reed to fellow centre Danny Osarigie saw him burst through, only to be tackled just short of the line, and somehow Kenfig Hill managed to prevent the Ath winning the resulting ruck, allowing them to clear their lines. However, a short while later, the Ath were awarded their second penalty of the game in front of the posts. They declined the kick at goal and instead kicked to the corner. A great take from Harrison Morgan saw the Ath again set up a driving maul.

This time there was no stopping it and man of the match Ben Owen powered his way over the line. Joe Watts then narrowly missed the conversion, due to his standing foot slipping just as he struck the ball.

Kenfig Hill, again came back at the Ath, piling on the pressure and again aided by a growing penalty count. However, the Ath defence, with flankers Ryan Neagle and Sion Vigus quite outstanding; and all the forwards and backs tackling their hearts out, saw Kenfig Hill remain scoreless in the second half. Scrum half Thom Lewis kicking the ball off the field in injury time to signal the final whistle.

This was a very well deserved, hard-earned win against a very strong Kenfig Hill outfit, and the coaches are extremely proud of the commitment and ability shown by all 22 players who took the field. They can now look forward to the rest of the season in League 2 with a huge amount of confidence for such a young Youth team.

AB

Flint strikes again – On and Off the Turf with Brian Lee

BRIDGEND trainer John Flint landed the second division of the handicap hurdle at Newbury on Wednesday (January 15) with his nine-year-old *EddieMaurice,* which beat Kim Bailey's *Mon Palois* by a head in a photo-finish.

EddieMaurice, partnered by Bridgend's Jack Tudor, went off the 3-1 favourite. *Kenny George*, ridden by Adam Wedge and trained by Christian Williams at Ogmore-by-Sea, finished in third place.

Another Welsh rider to land a winner at the meeting was Ben Jones, who won on *Le Ligerien* for Philip Hobbs.

Versatile Charlie Price, who rides out for Aberthin's Tim Vaughan, won the opener at Doncaster last week on Sam Allwood's 10-1 chance *JobsOnFire*. Charlie has ridden winners on the flat and over the sticks and is a leading Arabian horse racing jockey.

Llancarfan's Evan Williams saw his *Coconut Splash* run out a comfortable winner of the maiden hurdle at Wetherby and stable jockey Adam Wedge made it a double when scoring an easy win in the handicap chase on the Kerry Lee trained *Ice Cool Chaps*.

Christian's Taunton winner

OGMORE-BY-SEA'S Christian Williams landed the Seniors Handicap Hurdle at Taunton on January 18, with his eight-year-old *Limited Reserve*.

Ridden by Nick Scholfield, the 10-1 chance scored by three lengths from *My PlaceAtMidnight*.

At Chepstow 24 hours earlier, Llancarfan's Evan Williams, the leading trainer at the course, saw his *Fado Des Brosses*, under stable jockey Adam Wedge, beat the odds-on *Getaway Fred* by a neck.

He said: "Adam has given him a lovely ride. We thought we had a chance as you have to have a graded horse to give 6lb away in these races.

"He's a nice horse and found the ground he enjoys.''

Vale of Glamorgan Football League round-up

ON a day with only a handful of games played, was there a turning point in the campaign at the top of the premier division?

Island Marine brought Holton Road's unbeaten streak to a screeching halt with a thumping 5–0 victory at Maslin Park. Marine moved up to third place and sit two points behind Holton with a game in hand. Holton Road, down to 10 men (a man sent off early) still sit one point behind Rhoose. This title race is becoming the most thrilling in years with four teams in contention for the title: plenty of twists and turns to come in the most competitive premier division for a few years.

Penarth Town triumphed over Tynewydd 4-0 at the Butts, moving up to seventh place. In Division One, Barry Athletic B stunned Cadoxton Barry with a 3-2 win – that's three games without a win for Caddy, whose title aspirations seem to be disappearing. Athletic B go to fifth while Cwm Talwg played out a 2-2 draw with SP Billy; both sides remain unbeaten in 2020. Perkins and Galsworthy netted for Talwg with Ingham and Tyler responding for SP. Just four games played in the league as the weather won out, but with a dry forecast, look for a full league program next week.

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Bawden's interception saves day for the Blood and Blacks

ANOTHER league game and another four points in the bag for Llantwit Major RFC, but boy were they made, yet again, to work thoroughly hard for this 15–12 home win against Gwernyfed.

The visitors have been fairly consistent all season, doing well at home but struggling a bit on the road. Not surprising as, coming from the foothills of the Brecon Beacons, virtually every away trip is a hard toll. But when you are top of the league every opponent raises their game and with Gwernyfed being a decent enough side anyway, it was no surprise that they gave Llantwit a right battle on a rare sunshine-soaked Recreation Ground.

Llantwit, playing towards the clubhouse in the first half started the game well and started edging the possession early on with some nice phases coming back into their game plan they were the first to cross with wing Steff Godwin going over after some nice handling across the park and a lovely try-scoring pass from hooker Huw Williams – a fine example of drawing the defender in. Howley converted the try.

But the visitors, after shaking of their bus legs, were constantly asking questions of the Llantwit defence, especially in the tight, and after a long period of dominance in the Llantwit 22 they piled over for a converted try to level the score to 7–7 at the break.

Llantwit started the second half brightly as they started using Howley's kicking game to their advantage and had the big, heavy visitors' pack turning and stretching. A try followed soon after with wing Evan Holloway racing free to go over in the corner. The conversion though, was narrowly missed.

As in the first half, Gwernyfed soon came firing back and after a a good build up they equalled Llantwit by going over in the clubhouse corner. Again the conversion kick did not have quite enough as it sailed wide.

So, as in the last few weeks, it was a nervous time for Llantwit supporters going into the last quarter to see who would push ahead. Both teams had plenty of opportunities, only for stout defence from both sides, with some really big hits going in right, left and centre.

The deadlock was finally broken when Llantwit were awarded a penalty in Howley's kicking range and as cool as normal, he slotted over to give the home side the three points difference.

Now it was time once again to play out the game and Gwernyfed gave it a mighty effort to steal the show as they pounded and pounded the Llantwit defence back to their own line, coming close on several occasions but just being held out by some great defending.

Then, with seconds left on the clock, and just a few metres from the line, Gwernyfed looked to have created an overlap and went to spread the ball wide only for second row Dan Bawden to read the play beautifully, intercepting the pass and galloping off down the field and into the safety of the final whistle.

Man of the match was, after Bawden's heroics, shared between the big second row and hooker Huw Williams, who showed his skill levels are far beyond what you would expect from a number two.

Another close and nervy win then, but a win all the same. This still wasn't the stellar performance from Llantwit we saw in the autumn but was much improved from recent games. And it was against a great battling side who no doubt will be relishing the opportunity to take on Llantwit again later this year at their home ground.

This week it gets tougher again as they take on Llandaff in the capital. Llantwit were comfortable winners in the first game earlier this season but this is now a much stronger city team than they faced then. They have changed coaches and bolstered their squad with several new signings and last week they had many eyebrows raising with a strong win away to one of the top teams in the league in Caerau Ely.

Another interesting clash awaits then as Llantwit go tentatively into the second half of the season.

AH

Gilfach grab last-minute win to shock Cowbridge

COWBRIDGE took on second from bottom Gilfach Goch last Saturday, January 18, and would have expected to win comfortably despite missing several first team regulars.

However, it was the visitors who were first on the scoreboard with a try after just four minutes.

Cowbridge responded almost immediately, running a penalty for the evergreen Chris Morris to crash over in the corner.

Cowbridge took the lead after 20 minutes with a well-taken penalty but Gilfach drew level with a penalty of their own and, with minutes of the first half remaining, they ran in their second try, duly converted.

Half time: Cowbridge 8, Gilfach Goch 15.

Cowbridge started the second with a bit more conviction and soon drew level as scrum half Adam Dix broke from the base of a scrum, releasing his half back partner Gaz Williams-Davies to romp over for a converted try.

With Gilfach down to 14 for 10 minutes, Cowbridge started to take control and a fine lineout take by Aaron Bowman was taken on by Craig Boxall and, from the ensuing scrum, some crisp passing gave Rhydian Williams a rare opportunity and over he sprinted for Cowbridge's third try, to take the lead 20–15.

That was the score until the last minute as a Cowbridge attack broke down and Gilfach gratefully gained possession, running in for their third try and match winning conversion.

Final score: Cowbridge 20 Gilfach Goch 22.

This was a strangely subdued performance by the boys but credit to Gilfach, who battled throughout the match.

We travel to Cilfynydd this Saturday then it's a two week break for the Six Nations, followed by Llantwit Fardre at home on February 15.

RV/RK

Barry bang in seven as they run riot against Carmarthen

BARRY Town stunned a fragile Carmarthen Town 7-1 at Jenner Park on Saturday night, shrugging off their injury woes and goal-shy reputation in some style, while shoring up their standing in the JD Cymru Premier's top four.

It was the first time the Jenner Park outfit had scored seven in a single Cymru Premier fixture since striker Jamie Moralee netted four times in a December 2001 7-1 mauling of Oswestry Town.

Kristian O' Leary's Carmarthen came to Jenner Park unbeaten in three, but soon found themselves without the experience of goalkeeper Lee Idzi; the former Merthyr man injured in the warm-up, leaving youngster Thomas Windsor to deputise for only the second time in their league campaign.

In their change blue and white hoops, the Old Gold looked to snatch an early advantage, only for Liam Thomas to see his close-range effort past goalkeeper Mike Lewis bounce off the crossbar and then be cleared off the line, in what would prove a rare opportunity for the visitors.

Encouraged by the recruitment of St Kitts and Nevis international Theo Wharton, Barry hit the ground running and surged ahead in the sixth minute, as leading goalscorer Kayne McLaggon cut inside a pair of Carmarthen defenders and laced the ball past Windsor into the bottom corner.

The striker scored again on 16 minutes, executing a perfectly-judged scissors kick to score, after an exquisite first-touch delivery from teammate Mo Touray out on the right-hand flank.

Within moments, the provider turned goalscorer as Touray composedly slotted home Barry's third, leaving Carmarthen apparently dead in the water with more than 70 minutes to play.

There were brief signs of an Old Gold revival after 35 minutes when Callum Saunders pulled a goal back, his low, left-footed free kick leaving Lewis a stumped bystander.

However, stand-in skipper Luke Cooper restored Barry's

three-goal cushion after 38 minutes, tapping home from close range after McLaggon had prevailed in an aerial battle with Windsor.

Then, three minutes before half-time, Jack Compton netted a fine free-kick to put Barry 5-1 in front, lifting the ball above and beyond the beleaguered Carmarthen goalkeeper from all of 30 yards out.

Compton had already skimmed one of Windsor's posts from a similar set piece earlier in the night, but the former Portsmouth man, whose stop-start Jenner Park career has been blighted by injury, could finally celebrate his first goal in Barry Town colours.

Barry were only denied an electric sixth when McLaggon's backpost strike was ruled out for offside, preventing the Wales C hitman from completing his hat-trick at the close of an action-packed half.

Attacking the Barry Road end in the second period, Barry made it 6-1 on 69 minutes, with Clayton Green latching onto a loose ball in the box, after McLaggon had again made a nuisance of himself.

With the game emphatically over, Wales under-21 international Rhys Abbruzzese impressed late on, the second generation star dazzling with his footwork in pursuit of another Barry goal.

Meanwhile, a persistent McLaggon hit a post in the final 15 minutes, as academy products Lathan Garrett and Alex Brookes-Bent were each handed their first team debuts from the bench.

As it was, it was more young blood in Evan Press who rubber-stamped the romp on 90 minutes, side-footing home after terrific Touray's long-range curler cannoned back off Windsor's crossbar.

Rounding out Phase One with a haul of 40 points, Barry now sit just one behind third-placed Bala Town, who, it turns out, will provide the final opponents of their campaign at Maes Tegid in April.

With a two-week break in the offing, Barry's Phase Two programme begins at home to title-chasing Connah's Quay Nomads on Saturday, February 8, (2.30pm kick-off), before Gavin Chesterfield's squad travel to play bogey team Newtown at Latham Park, seven days later (2.30pm).

Report by Ashley Cox

Cowbridge Darts League round up

ON January 14, the season reached its half way point when a full programme of League matches were played.

It was a good night for the Edmondes B winning 18-0 against the Victoria Inn. Unfortunately, the Victoria Inn was not able to field a full team. In this match, Paul Butcher (Edmondes B) hit a 180 and David Cheal (Edmondes B) had a 117 out, his second out over 100 of the season.

Second placed team, the Highwayman Inn, beat the Town Hall Criers 15-7 and the Edmondes A defeated the Red Lion Inn 14-8. In the local derby the Hairy Farmers just edged out the Farmers Arms winning 11-10. In this match, John Izzard (Hairy Farmers) hit a 180, taking the tally of 180s for the league up to 9. The Edmondes C did not play as they had a bye. Present league standings, at the half way point, are: Edmondes B (121 points), Highwayman Inn (108), Victoria Inn (88), Farmers Arms (83), Hairy Farmers (80), Edmondes A (74), Town Hall Criers (72), Edmondes C (64) and Red Lion Inn (54).

On January 28, another full programme of league matches is scheduled. The Farmers Arms hosts the Edmondes C, the Victoria Inn hosts the Red Lion Inn, the Town Hall Criers hosts the Hairy Farmers and the Highwayman Inn hosts the Edmondes B. The Edmondes A have a bye.

All matches start at 8.15pm and spectators are welcome. For further information, email Paul at cowbridge-darts@gmail.com, up-to-date information can be found at www.darts.apsn.co.uk.

Please note the league is very keen to grow and have more teams next season, so anyone looking into putting a team together or landlords keen to host a darts team should get in touch.

PJT

Bridge club news

Vale of Glamorgan Bridge Club

RESULTS for January 13 were as follows:

First, Kevin Maddox and Mike Best 62.76 per cent; second, Barrie Waite and Graham Norris 59.11; third, Tony Disley and Phil Felman 58.59.

January 20: First, Kevin Maddox and Mike Best 73.98; second, Simon and Debbie Richards 69.57; third, Dave and Debbie Lea 65.12.

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THE latest results for Bridgend Bridge Club are as follows:

On January 15: First, Tony Ratcliff and Kevin Maddox; second, Tony Disley and Steve Burgoyne; third, Rob Forman and Alan Heath. The winners on handicap were Tony Ratcliff and Kevin Maddox.

On January 16: First, Geoff and Christine Tinkler; second Marjorie Halley and Sheila Gass; third, Eileen Mahoney and Jeff Barnett. The winners on handicap were Geoff and Christine Tinkler.

On January 17: playing north-south; first, Tony Haworth and John Beard; second, Simon and Debbie Richards; third, Maggie and Richard Ashpole. Playing east-west; first, Vida Halford and Glyn Williams; second, Tony Disley and Dave Lea; third, Leila O'Hagan and Stuart Davies.

Regular club nights take place at 7pm on Wednesday and Friday evenings at Nolton Church Hall. On Thursday afternoons at 1.45pm, there is a gentle bridge session when help is available with the bidding.

GJ